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ACCELERATED REARMAMENT FOR EUROPE

London, Aug. 20.
Mr Charles Spofford, American Chairman of the North Atlantic Pact Deputies, said on arrival here tonight that America was prepared "to do its full part in the speedy build-up of the defences of the North Atlantic area."

Mr Spofford, who arrived to preside at Tuesday's North Atlantic Pact meeting, said that there was great determination on the part of the United States to do everything they could, based on the confidence that the other members of the Atlantic Treaty were prepared to do their full part also.

He added that he hoped that at the second Council session on Tuesday further concrete and constructive steps would be taken.

Mr Spofford's return to London follows the transmission to Washington of the new defence plans drawn up by Western European countries.

FRONTIER FRICTION NOT SOLVED

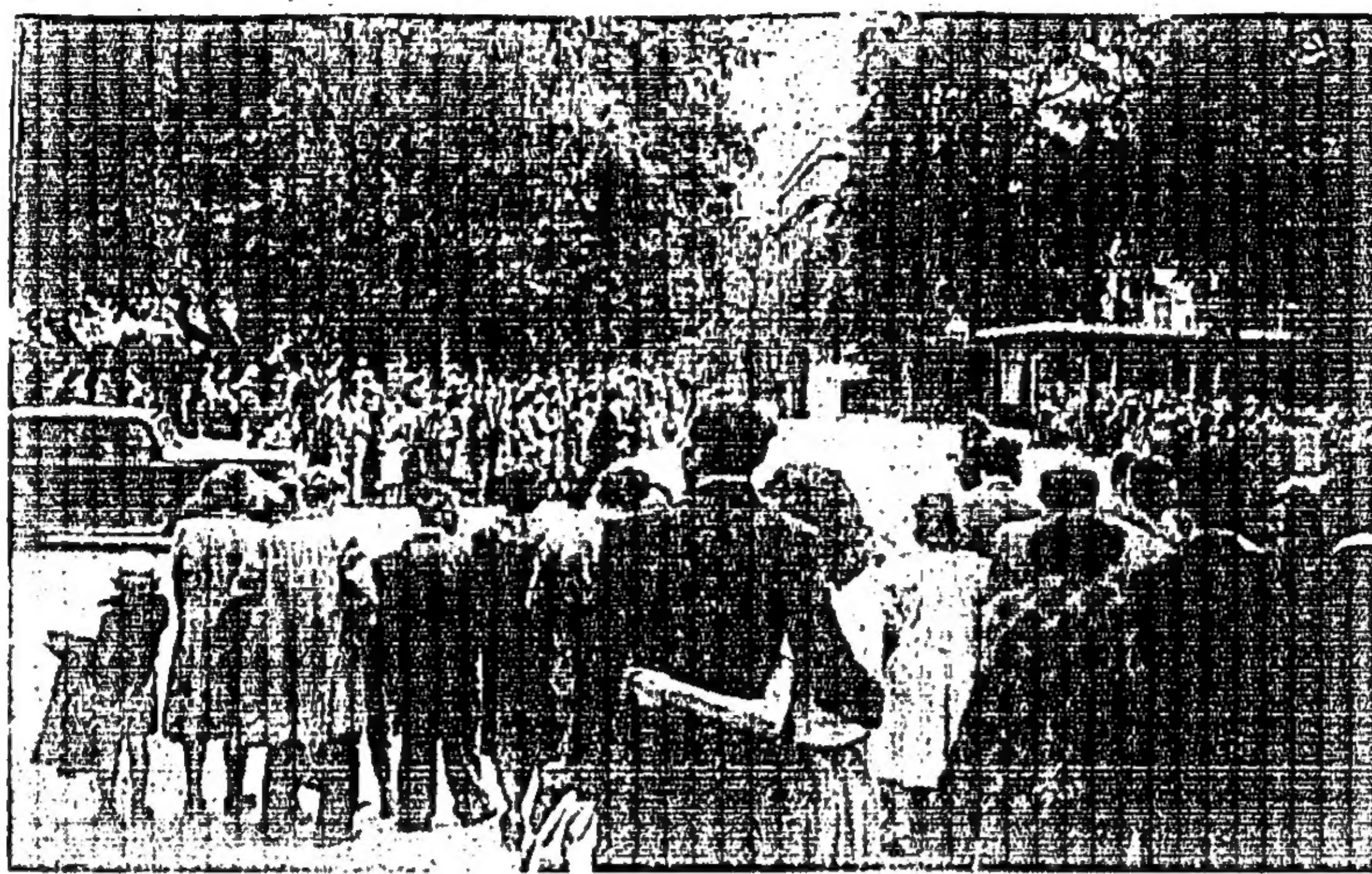
Gorizia, Aug. 20.
Ten thousand people today anxiously lined both sides of the Italy-Yugoslav frontier near here vainly waiting to be allowed to meet their relations and friends across the frontier.

The crowds gathered by car and on foot from towns on either side of the frontier, expecting a lifting of the rigid Yugoslav regulations against approaching the frontier.

Last Sunday the regulations were abated for a few hours and five thousand people from the Yugoslav side burst across the frontier to swarm into Italian Gorizia, a little over one and a half miles away, for an orgy of buying. At the same time, hundreds of families, separated by the postwar frontier line, were reunited in the streets of Gorizia.

The bigger crowds which gathered today were informed that the frontier administration had failed to reach an agreement on a repatriation of last Sunday's lifting of the regulations. It was added, however, that negotiations were continuing.—Reuter.

Waiting Patiently



Hundreds of people standing in the approaches to Clarence House for news of the birth of Princess Elizabeth's second child.—(London Express Service).

Communists Probing Along Masan Zone: Expected To Divert Attack To South

Tokyo, Aug. 21.
In one of a series of probing attacks, possibly preliminary to a new drive on Pusan, an upwards of 2,000 North Koreans—two reinforced battalions, yesterday attacked the United States 25th Infantry line 13 miles west of the port of Masan on the southern front.

The enemy troops drove the Americans back 1,000 yards. United States air and artillery support was called for. The guns and planes pinned down the enemy force. A 25th Division spokesman said that more than 1,000 North Koreans were killed and the two battalions were virtually destroyed.

The South Koreans, meanwhile, in an amphibious operation, landed on Tongyong peninsula, 25 miles southeast of Masan and drove northward toward Kosong preparing to join the left flank of the American forces.

The South Korean Headquarters announced that the Republic forces had driven 16 miles up the east coast from the recaptured port of Pohang by Sunday morning and continued their advance.

General Douglas MacArthur reported that the North Koreans were building up new strength on the southern front and preparing for a new drive on Pusan.

Enemy buildups also were reported in the Hyongun bridgehead on the river on the First Cavalry Division line northwest of Taegu.

General MacArthur has addressed a personal warning to Premier Kim Il Sung of North Korea to cease immediately all atrocities in treating war prisoners. He said that unless the atrocities were stopped Kim Il Sung and his corps and division commanders will be held "criminally responsible."—United Press.

BRIDGEHEAD GONE

Tokyo, Aug. 21.
The North Korean bridgehead over the Nakdong River, west of Yongsan, has been wiped out, according to a release from the Korean War Press.

All ground east of the Nakdong River in that sector has been recaptured by elements of the 24th Division and the 1st Marine Brigade.

All units had consolidated organized positions. Mopping up operation against small isolated pockets was continuing, the release said.

This operation produced very heavy North Korean casualties and a considerable amount of weapons and equipment. The sector remained quiet today.

Attacking forces of the ROK (South Korean) 1st Division reinforced by United States Army units, advanced yesterday to a line running generally north-east through a point (Contd. on Page 6 Col. 6)

INFANTRY BEING SENT TO KOREA FROM HONGKONG

Likely To Embark For Warfront
In Six Or Seven Days
REPLACEMENTS COMING

London, Aug. 20.

It was officially announced today that Britain was sending infantry forces to Korea from Hongkong.

An Army press release said: "In response to a request by the commander in chief of the United Nations forces in Korea for the dispatch of reinforcements without delay, the United Kingdom Government has decided to send infantry forces from Hongkong to Korea immediately."

Nehru Invited To China

New Delhi, Aug. 20.
The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, had been invited to visit China in a letter from Madame Sun Yat-sen, wife of the founder of the Chinese Republic.

She is one of the Vice-Presidents of the Peking Government and has known Pandit Nehru for several years.—Reuter.

Dried Up River Bursts Into Flood

Gauhati, Assam, Aug. 20.
Rising flood waters of a tributary of the Brahmaputra today threatened the earthquake-ravaged district of Pasaihat, 300 miles north-east of here.

Some 3,000 people live in the low-lying district.

A wireless message from Pasaihat tonight said that the river, which had dried up after last Tuesday's earthquake, today burst into high floods.

Reconnaissance parties to marooned areas have been flown from Gauhati and the Government is directing relief operations.

New Delhi's meteorological centre again reported an earthquake shock of slight intensity, the epicentre of which was 460 miles away at dawn today.—Reuter.

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Freighter Shattered By Hurricane

Norfolk, Virginia, Aug. 20.
The 7,600-ton freighter South Bird Victory, its engines disabled and its lifeboats smashed, wallowed in hurricane-whipped seas 300 miles southeast of Cape Henry, Virginia, today and three ships sped to its aid.

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MILLIONS OF TONS

Gauhati, Aug. 20.
Arrangements have been completed here to evacuate people and drop food from the air to the flood-threatened district of Pasaihat, 300 miles north-east of here.

It is believed that the floods are due to "millions of tons of water," blocked in the upper reaches of the river in Tibet, overwhelming their barriers after the earthquake to rush down to the plains.

The dark, sulphur-smelling Brahmaputra River was today full of thousands of logs and trees uprooted from unknown Himalayan forests last week.—Reuter.

Murder Stirs Socialists

Liege, Aug. 20.
The body of 66-year-old M. Julien Lahaut, the Chairman of the Belgian Communist Party, was today lying in state at the red-draped hall of the Communist Party Headquarters here.

He was shot dead on his doorstep at Seraing, near Liege, on Friday and will be buried on Tuesday in his native town.

Socialist trade unions here today warned the Government that unless Lahaut's murderers are discovered and severely punished workers' organisations will take justice into their own hands "to prevent the installation of Fascist and Hitlerite methods in this country."—Reuter.

Train Off Rails

Calais, Aug. 20.
An empty passenger train, arriving to pick up British tourists for Paris and Switzerland, ran off the rails today outside Calais Station.

Two railway employees were injured.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Time Not Wasted

THE resounding American victory in the Battle of the Bulge, shattering the North Korean Fourth Division and hurling them across the Nakdong River, the determined attack which relieved the immediate pressure on Taegu and successes on the east coast, give some evidence that while it may be some time before roles are completely reversed, the day is past when all the initiative is with the invader. Prior to the arrival of the Marines and the Second Division, offensive operations would have been impossible, or, at best, could not have been afforded as an calculated risk. Obviously the Communists will not be defeated by a static battlefield. Mere defence, however redoubtable and effectively built-up, will not be enough. The positions of comparative strength will have to be so established that a successful United Nations counter-offensive can be mounted and keep the Reds moving until they are over the 38th Parallel. For the time being, counter-attacks are likely to be limited to such operations as the Battle of the Bulge, restoring a dangerous situation and lifting a threat. They have the value of throwing the North Koreans off balance and of providing information about the strength of enemy concentrations. They should not be confused, however, with a genuine counter-offensive. The United Nations are still short of the necessary preponderance of fire power and manpower required. The operations will continue to be holding operations for some time, the infliction of casualties in men, and material on the Reds, and it might be regarded as injudicious to greet limited counter-attacks with unlimited enthusiasm and with over-confidence. Meanwhile the firming of the defence lines gives greater power to the attritional aspect. It

is becoming increasingly difficult for the Communists to maintain the edge in armour, with its essential fuel supply, as the ground defence and the mounting weight of air attacks have their cumulative effect. The pace of attack has already been noticeably slowed and the time must come when it will be brought abruptly to a halt. But yet more grim encounters are ahead before that phase can be regarded as reached. The time that has been gained in recent weeks has not been wasted. Some strong reinforcement has been doing valiant deeds. Withdrawals that have been forced have been orderly and the net effect has been a stronger, rather than a weaker, position. Also of importance has been the use of the time in regrouping and reactivating the South Korean Army. Tribute has to be paid to the combat resourcefulness and determination of the South Koreans who have gone back into action. This aspect of the struggle is important since it is necessary to meet the canard that the South Koreans would not fight because of political considerations. That, naturally, is the Communist line. It is part of Soviet propaganda themes that any democratic group will be defeated because of its "decadence" or the "corruption" of its leadership. The resolute fighting of the South Koreans should puncture that sort of falsehood, just as the initial defeat suffered by Americans did much to expose its humbug. Meanwhile, much more remains to be done. One of them is the mobilisation of a genuine United Nations force and not merely a United States and South Korean force acting on behalf of the United Nations. It is an obligation to defend a free country from naked aggression and it needs to be honoured without undue delay.

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Most Formal Organdy



THIS is a white organdy formal frock, and not a sweet girl's graduate model. The gown is in the ballgown genre, a confection for the sophisticated, alluring competition for any elegance by night that it may meet. A deep band of organdy embroidery tops the strapless bodice in appliques; both back and front of the trained skirt are embellished by ruffled and green tulle bands set in under the organdy, and trimmed with the same embroidery appliques. A crisp bowknot of the two tulle bands is placed at the waistline, the top ends placed beneath the sheer bodice, the lower ends resting outside on the skirt and held there by a rhinestone ornament. Hard to describe, perhaps, but definitely anything but hard to look at.

Let's Eat
BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

A Chef Shows Off His Skill

THE Chef and I happened to be in the kitchen at the late afternoon of the day when the spring Escallop dinner was to be given at the Copley Plaza. Straight down to the kitchen we went to see Chef Marchetti. "Aren't you excited?" I exclaimed.

Makes Mistakes
"But no, Madame, excitement makes mistakes. I have previously tested every dish on the menu. I have allowed five hours for the preparation, and all the foods are complete and ready to serve. Would you like a preview?"

Into the cold chamber we went, where trays of cold hors d'oeuvres and canapés were arranged ready for service. Back to the kitchen. Slendering on the range was a big pot of green turtle soup which I promptly tasted. Next came small "mignonettes" of salmon. The piece de resistance was a roast of beef Wellington. This was made by roasting beef tenderloin, covering with a rich mushroom sauce, then blanket-ing with broche dough and baking. Puns of 4 inch lengths of celery covered with broth, were ready to braise to serve with it.

Pigeons, stuffed with veal forcemeat, and rubbed over with butter, were ready to roast for service after the beef, asparagus with orange Hollandaise, the accompanying vegetable.

A crisp green salad was being made ready to toss, the chicken pate to be served with it. The pastry Chef was making pound sugar baskets to hold the dessert, peach Nordica. Cheese wines in their baskets were ready to accompany each course. A magnificent repast being prepared with confidence and efficiency. I brought away a new idea for you—an inexpensive adaptation of the luxurious tenderloin with 30 min.

ELEANOR ROSS supplies the answer for housewives...

Do You Know?

DO you know that waxes can also be used to preserve Venetian blinds and leather upholstery, in addition to their usual job on furniture and floors?

This was only one of the hints forthcoming at a recent round-table held by women prominent in the fields of home economics and home lighting.

A home furnishings consultant came up with all sorts of wonderful notions, such as installing plywood panels over the heavily carved doors found in so many old houses. She also suggested replacing fancy flat ones, so much easier to maintain. Wooden floors that are shellacked and varnished show dirty streaking and marks. It was recommended that floor sealers be used to close the pores in the wood and prevent the marks from sinking in. After the seal is applied, the floor has only to be waxed and polished to attain its natural beauty, making it easier to maintain.

The same clever expert warned homemakers against letting painters do the wood-work and trim with the same flat paint, used on the walls. Surfaces which must be cleaned often should have glossy semi-gloss paint. A small matter, perhaps, but small matters are big factors in keeping

up a home with a minimum of time and effort. If yours is a busy household, don't be beguiled by light colours, when purchasing carpeting. Suck to medium blues, grays and cocoa browns, but if you don't like these, then consider some of the new patterned textures rugs. The dirt cannot stand out, but blends in nicely. Such tapestries, but also by nylon to be well worth it, as nylon carpeting, easy to clean, and ever so durable.

For appliances, there are new nylon covers, washable and proved increase that are lovely and entirely practical for all their fancy look. Wonderful for cupboards, upholstery and curtains, too.

So far advanced are plans for many of these new wonder materials, that their use in general production is already under way, so much so that there have been group discussions on their care and laundering, as well as fashion shows. A new material from the great laboratory that gave the world nylon, was the fascinating star of a recent show, and it was employed for both household and wardrobe. Particularly handsome were some curtains of this new material which are coming into the general consumer market. It was suggested that curtains of the fabric be ironed quite wet.

Tips For Skin Problems

By HELEN FOLLETT

BEAUTICIANS say that the majority of women are distressed about a dry skin. The truth is, of course, that many young women have oily complexions, many older ones have dry ones. As the birthdays bank up, the sebaceous glands are likely to go on a strike, not work at all. It is a matter of age. The "Oilies" can content themselves with the fact that time is on their side.

No matter what the condition, may be there are certain rules that will apply to all types. Once soap and water should be used once a day, preferably at bed-time. A complexion brush, used with light fiction is a help. You must fight atmospheric dust and light hard if you are to have a skin of fine texture. You must be fussy about the powder you use.

Popular Agent

Work a softening cream into your face after the soapy renovating. Lanolin is popular now as a cosmetic agent and nearly all creams contain it. It gives smoothness to the skin, and a cream and water to force the lubricant into the flesh. To apply a light film, with no friction is to lose half the benefits. Patting, stroking, kneading will get the cream into the pores to a certain extent, but the skin and glands to function normally.

After several minutes of friction, use tissues to wipe away the surplus. If time remains on over night, the treatment with no doubt is effective. In the morning, pat on skin freshener. Nothing like it for helping keep tissues firm. Use a tissue on your neck, while you are about it. Remember why the pillow that holds up your pretty head should be neglected.

Be faithful to your good-looks duties. Take time off and you'll never be able to catch up with yourself again.

Americans Found Eating More Ice Cream

CHICAGO. If you're an average American you now eat an extra 49 pounds of dairy foods a year over what you consumed 10 years ago, according to the National Dairy Council.

Ice cream leads all the rest with an increase of 67 per cent in per capita consumption since 1939, the council said. The overall increase in dairy food consumption over the period was 13 per cent. Americans now eat 15 pounds of ice cream per person every year compared with nine pounds 10 years ago, the council said. Consumption of cheese is up 29 per cent to a new high of 7.1 pounds per person. Milk and cream are being consumed in 45 per cent greater quantities than the five years before the war. Butter, however, is down six pounds per capita from the 1939 level of consumption in 1949, the council said. United Press.

A Victorian Touch



Jet Black Victorian semi-precious stone earrings and necklace were worn by Susan Shaw of the "Trio".

Successful One-Piecer



One piecer of lastest.

THE DEMAND for both the one-piece and the two-piece swim suit is running pretty even, with many a beach-bound copper drooling on one of each, instead of the usual single bathing suit. And that isn't astonishing, for never was beach-wear so practical, so pretty, so reasonably priced. Tricolor latex appears in this trim one-piece (below). It is of three shades of blue from very pale to deep, navy navy. The fabric is: scamed in panels with just enough horizontal draping to hide figure faults. The device "slumping" neckline is slightly draped to stay in place and concealed by three little bows. Shoulder straps are optional.

Medical Check-Ups For The Child

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

THE child can have no better health insurance than regular visits to the doctor. Many parents realize this where the baby or young child is concerned, but once the child has passed the age of three, many mothers unfortunately believe, he can get along without the doctor's supervision unless he falls ill. This is not a good idea at all. The older child should have a medical check-up at least twice a year so that any abnormal condition may be discovered early and treated promptly. Younger children should be examined more often.

In the course of such routine examinations, it is not unusual for the physician to discover murmurs or abnormal sounds during the heart beat. This may or may not be a cause for alarm.

Restricting Activities are many of these murmurs (functional); that is, they are not due to any actual disease of the heart but to the way in which the heart works. In such cases, there is no need for restriction of the child's activities in any way. Indeed, if such a restriction is carried out, it may result in some type of nervous disturbance in the youngster.

There are a number of things about these murmurs which serve to tell them from heart murmurs caused by actual damage to the heart. If there is any doubt about the matter, it is suggested that an X-ray examination of the heart, as well as an electrocardiogram or electric tracing of the heart beat, be made. These two things will aid greatly in telling if the heart is sound or not.

Functional Murmur The physician also carries out a number of other tests. For example, he will examine the heart while the child is at rest and then after exercise. In some cases, if the youngster takes a very deep breath, the murmur disappears or becomes very faint. In other ordinary breathing, it again becomes louder. Changing posture, such as lying down after first being examined while sitting up, may cause the murmur to become very faint, or to disappear entirely. These conditions usually happen with a functional murmur.

Murmurs caused by heart damage are usually rough and harsh, while the functional murmurs cause a soft, blowing sound. Of course, should a heart murmur be detected, a careful study must be made to determine exactly what is producing it. If it is a functional murmur, there is no need to be concerned any further about it. If it is due to heart damage, the cause of the heart damage must be discovered and the child's activities regulated in accordance with the amount of injury the heart has sustained.

Your Sewing Scrapbook

by Mary Brooks Picken

Beach Bag and Slip-on

SHOW your best beau how smart you are. Make these attractive accessories for yourself from 1 1/2 yds. of 3/4" Terry cloth and 4 yds. of 1/2" cotton upholstery cord.

Terry Slip-on. Straighten ends of fabric. Cut one crosswise piece 22" long. Fold selvages to centre and turn back to 2" as shown at A.

For armhole, slash on outer folds 8 1/2" from one raw edge as at B. Make French seam from slash to front fold, for shoulder seam. Turn neck and armhole edges 1/4" to right side, stitch.

Neck and Armhole Cords

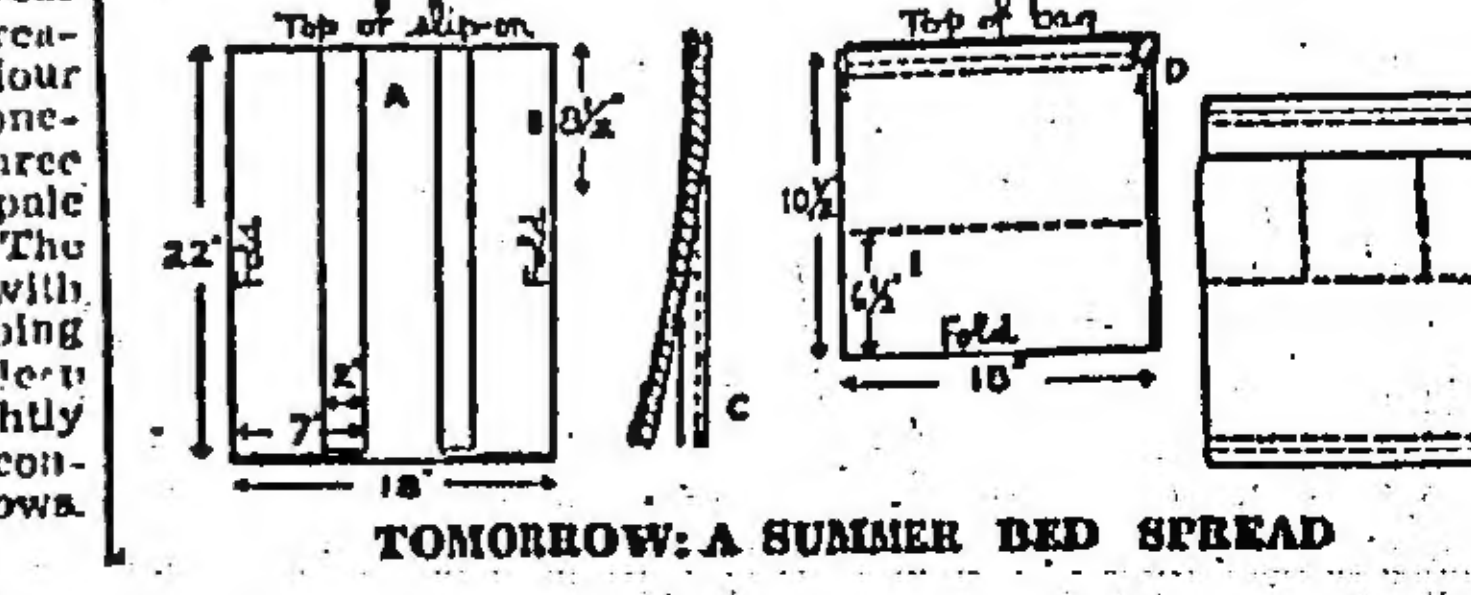
Cut 2 lengths of cord each 30" for neck, cut 1 length 40" for armhole. Centre cord; whip over stitching around armhole and across back of neck, as at C. Tie knots in ends of cord.

Terry Bag. Turn in raw edge at each end of selvage 1/4" for a distance of 3". Stitch. Turn selvages over 1/2". Stitch on selvage and again 1" above top edge, as at D.

Fold fabric in half crosswise, right sides out, stitch through two thicknesses 5/8" from fold to make pocket piece, as at E.

Divide Pocket Piece

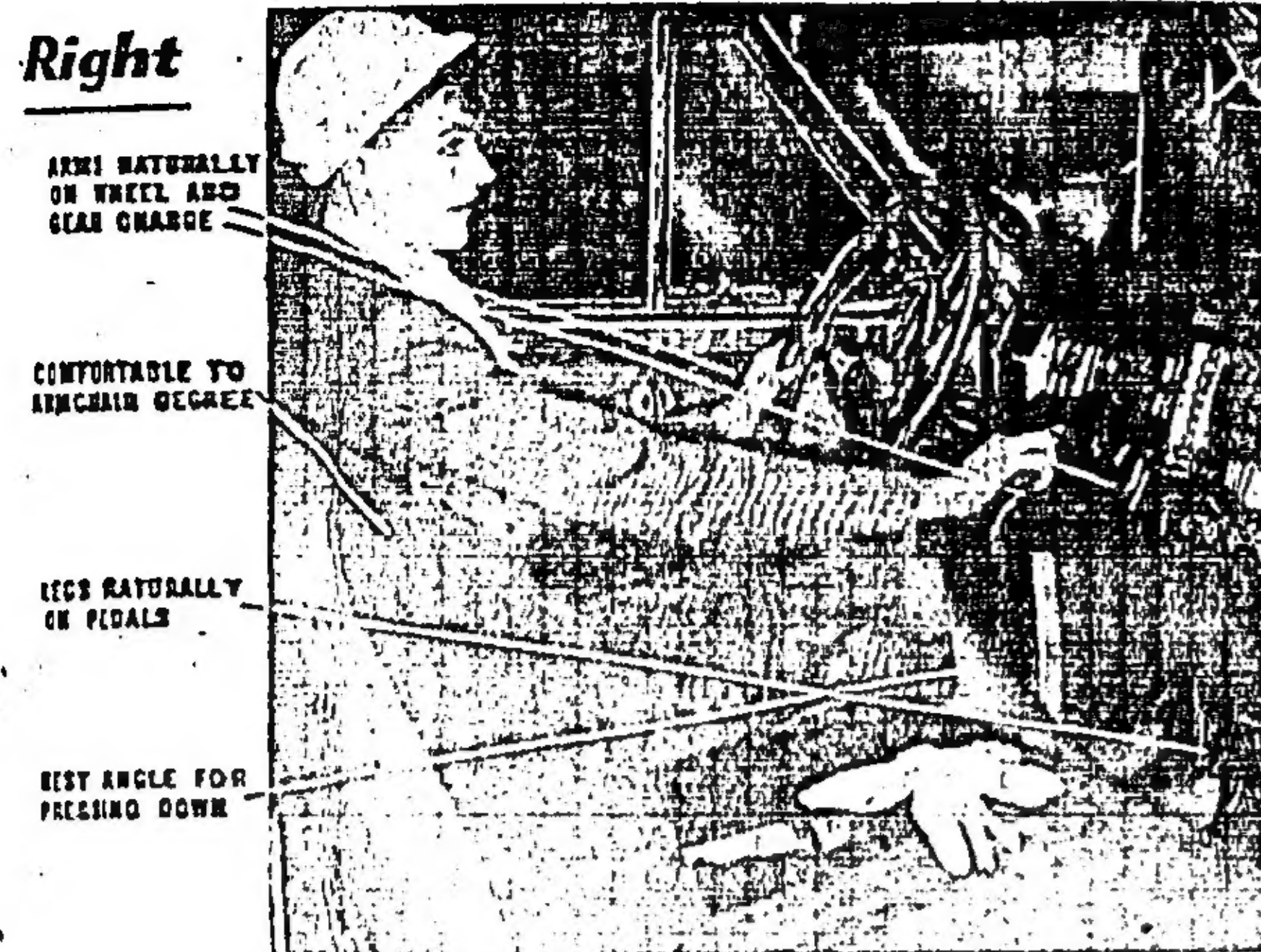
Fold this up toward casing. Pin to place; divide this into three even pockets, then stitch pockets against one piece of the bag and through three thicknesses of terry, as at F.



TOMORROW: A SUMMER BED SPREAD

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT GIRL IN THE CAR?

Right



Wrong



Brighter Gaol Cells Are On The Way

PLANS to brighten up Britain's gaols are being made by the Prison Commissioners. In future, if government are agreeable, many prisoners will be able to make their cells more cosy.

They are to be allowed: Pictures on the walls, table covers, bed covers, books on shelves, mats on the floor and flower, potted plants or bulbs. Some women prisoners can put up curtains at their cell windows.

Prisoners may also have fountain-pens in their cells—as long as they buy them out of their earnings.

All these are listed as "personal possessions." A circular, giving details of these allowed, has been sent round to prisons. It is announced by the Prison Officers' Association—the warden's trade union.

It is pointed out that the list is not final and governors are asked for further suggestions which must be submitted by September 20.

BANNED

Items not allowed are: Variations in cell colour schemes; furniture of non-uniform type; additional floor covering (apart from mats); objects (art; caged birds or pets; wireless sets; watches.

The Commissioners have, however, approved drawing, or painting, crosswords, puzzles, acrostics, jigsaws, puzzles, chess or draughts problems as cell recreations.

Playing cards of any sort are forbidden.

TELEVISION NEWCOMMONS IN DOUBT

Negotiations between the BBC and a committee of both Houses of Parliament for permission to televise the opening of the new House of Commons and the interior of the Chamber on October 26 have reached an extremely delicate stage.

The BBC applied for permission to record this great historical scene some weeks ago. At first it was believed that they would be allowed to televise in Westminster Hall when the King and Queen receive addresses from Parliament.

The Speaker, Col. Clifton Brown, agreed that the event warranted the widest publicity. A final decision is expected shortly. Detailed plans for broadcasting the ceremony will not be affected by an adverse television ruling.

The Ministry of Works stated that, so far as at present decided, only reporters, still cameras and sound broadcasting would be allowed.

Why do so many drivers suffer discomfort? Wherever I go I see people getting out of driving seats and stretching as if they had been in agony (writes William Hartley).

We go to a lot of trouble to have clothes tailored to fit. Why not the driving seat of our car?

If the car is old, the seat may have given quite a lot. The springs may be weakened. The angle of the back will be wrong, giving your spine no support. Even new cars may not suit all drivers. Cars are of standard design; people are not.

Seats can be re-stuffed and back-padded out quite easily. This whole seat can be repositioned without much trouble. All outside should come naturally to hand and feet when sitting comfortably. No stretching should be needed.

Try using a cushion or two. This will show you what you want; then make a job of it. Permanent cushions can be a nuisance and even a danger, as they tend to move about. But they can be used to find what you want.

Armchair comfort is possible in all cars. No need to peer forward as soon as you get near another car. And no need for stiffness after a 100 mile run.

Matadors Get Rough Handling

Lourenço Marques, Aug. 20. Four injured matadors in the last bullfights of the season here today.

Four thousand horror-stricken fans saw the Spanish matador, Navaco, joined by a bull after slipping on his cape. He was badly injured.

Two matadors were carried out unconscious and a fourth was wounded.—Reuter.

'Alien Legion' Plan For U.S. Foreigners

By Frederick Cook

Twenty-five hundred men from trouble-spot areas of the world are forming the nucleus of a new-style "Foreign Legion" for the U.S. Army. If the scheme works it is hoped to extend the scheme to take in many thousands.

Under a law just enacted, the Army is recruiting carefully picked Japanese, Germans, Poles, Czechs and others who will train with Americans, in American methods and with American arms.

They will get the same pay as Americans and, after five years of satisfactory service, will be given United States citizenship if they want it.

In any future war there are the men who will move back into their homelands, to work and fight with the local underground organisations and official forces.

FAST TERRITORY

There's a town in Alabama so broke that it is deliberately courting the danger of the H-bomb. Its name is Jasper. Say the vast majority of its 6,500 inhabitants: "We might as well be blown up as broke. It could not be worse."

WOMEN DOCTORS

The U.S. Army and the Air Force are bidding for women since my coming here over a year and a half ago, I take this opportunity to inform you that your editorials have always been held very high and most of them have been clipped for filing for reference. But the one appeared on July 25, seemed to have been tinged with political prejudice and, therefore, I deemed it my duty to point out to you that the public opinion prevalent in China towards the Reds is just in the opposite.

At a great scholar of your calibre, you, it seems to me, will not feel being offended by my telling you the truth.

Under the title "Koumintang Reform Drive," you pointed out that it is more than probable that the peoples of places like Shanghai and Canton given a choice between the Communist habits in exercising authority which they know and the return of the Koumintang and devilism, would plump for the existing regime.

A KIPPER INVASION

The humble herring found in the seas which wash the shores of Scotland is popular under any guise, but Scots declare that the best way to enjoy a herring is to have it kippered.

Now plans are laid to make Americans appreciative of the "Queen of Scots." Selected herrings will be kippered and packed in pairs in cellophane wrappers, labelled "Queen of Scots" in vivid blue with the assurance in red: "Brined, smoked and warranted free of artificial colouring matter." The boxes will be similarly labelled and will each hold 24 pairs of kippers.

A great deal of trouble has been taken to make "Queen of Scots" kippers attractive to American housewives. It is estimated that about 500 tons of kippers will be sold in the United States this year, and that future exports will be limited only by the capacity of the Scottish kippering houses.

This kipper invasion is planned on information gained by Sir Frederick Bell, chairman of the Herring Industry Board, when recently touring the United States.

To develop this special market, a new company has been formed in Edinburgh. Helping to run it are representatives of the leading curers and members of the Herring Industry Board.

Somewhere In Japan

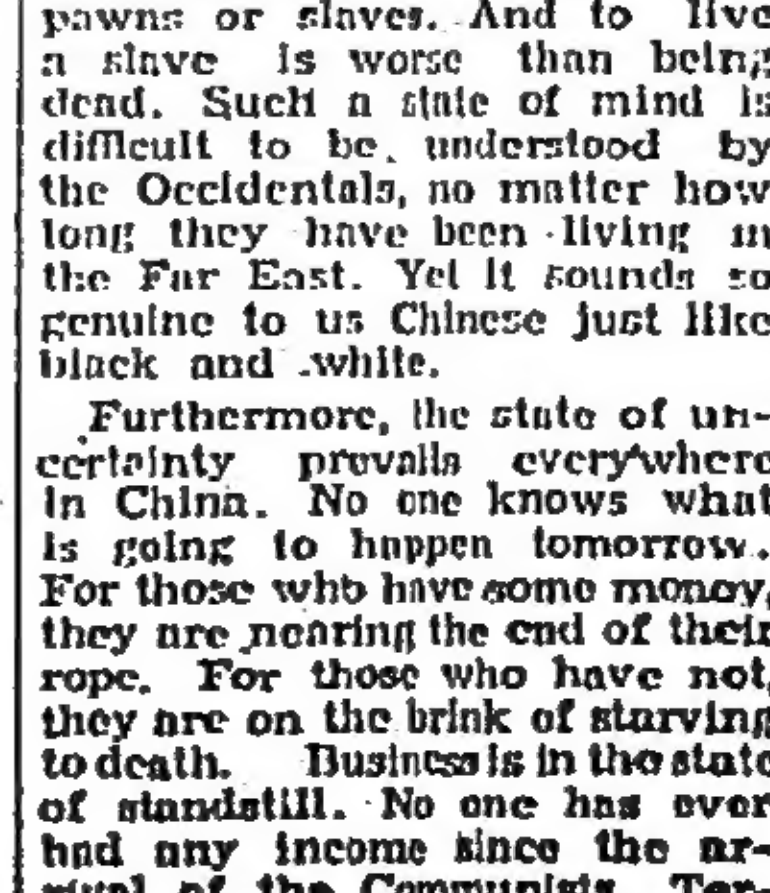


THREE of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders from Hongkong stop at a coffee counter at an American base somewhere in Japan. They were temporarily attached to HMS Jannica. (Acme)

K. O. CANNON



THE RIDDLE OF THE ROME REBELS



LONDON DIARY:

Government Offices Plan 'Biggest Move'

IN a fortnight, the Government will begin to move into Charles House, the largest office block built in London since the war. This eight-storey brick building near Olympia will house around 5,000 civil servants from five different departments.

They will find Charles House a fine place to work in. There are milk bars and a fully licensed restaurant.

Occupants of the block will be the Post Office Savings Bank, local offices of the National Assistance Board, the Ministry of National Insurance, Inland Revenue, and a Ministry of Supply branch.

The move will take a month. Opening of Charles House means the derequisitioning of 230,000 square feet of residential, office and shop space in London and Manchester.

Three London stores will get back some of their requisitioned space: Selfridge's (annex), Harrods and Barker's. These account for more than a third of the accommodation to be freed.

Also released will be four houses and 19 self-contained flats in Kensington.

THIRD TIME LUCKY?

MISS JOLCE MATTHEWS, blonde, blue-eyed, 28, American television actress, was a late riser at the Dorchester. Around 11 she was having breakfast in bed. She flew from New York the day before.

"I do not feel so well," said Miss Matthews, who earns £300 a week interviewing celebrities for television and radio in America.

In the same hotel is her former husband, Milton Berle, highest paid television actor in America.

But both deny any rendezvous in London. They have been married twice, divorced twice, have a daughter of five.

Says Miss Matthews: "We are not planning to remarry again." Berle and Miss Matthews say they were surprised to find each other in London.

But just before lunch Miss Matthews walked out of the hotel with Mr. Berle. They went away in a taxi together. She was wearing a yellow handkerchief headscarf with gold rimmed dark glasses, yellow jumper and red skirt.

THREE IN A FILM

BEHIND the new James Mason film is a poignant family story. Shooting starts soon in Hertfordshire. Starring with Mason is his wife, Pamela Kellino.

Pamela Kellino was formerly the wife of the man who directs the film Roy Kellino. But this is not all. Part of the film will be shot at a place familiar to all three of them: Olleberry Farm, near King's Langley.

Olleberry used to be the home of James Mason and Pamela Kellino. Now it is the home of Roy Kellino. When Mason went abroad, his wife's ex-husband moved in.

WREN'S DOME

ARCHITECTURAL history is being made at the church of St. Stephen's, Walbrook. From Sir Christopher Wren's original plans, craftsmen are reconstructing the fine oak dome, which was destroyed in the blitz. They are using Herefordshire oak, from trees more than 200 years old.

The church was built between 1672 and 1679. It was Wren's parish church when he lived at No. 5 Walbrook.

Mr. John Meaden, the architect, tells me it will probably be two years before St. Stephen's is fully restored.

FOUR MILE BEAT

A VISITOR watching one of the sentries outside Buckingham Palace noticed that he took 60 paces to cover his beat from the corner of the court.

yard railings to the pillar of the central gates. He was on the move about half the time the visitor was watching. From this my friend calculated that in his two hours' tour the sentry must march about four miles.



SUSANA BEHAR looks as good under the sun at Miami Beach, Florida, as she must have in Havana where she won a beauty contest. She is in the U.S. on her first visit. (Acme)

Happy Birthday



GIRL with all the presents is Mrs. Guy Humberstone, wife of Bruce Humberstone, the film director. She had a birthday party at the Dorchester in London, and two of her guests were Mr and Mrs David Niven, below. (London Express Service)



(London Express Service)

Ceylon Leave For Airwomen

All airwomen serving at RAF stations on Singapore island will in future, during their two-year tour of duty, be given a fortnight's change of climate and environment in the hills of Ceylon.

The airwomen are flown to Ceylon in parties of 10 and the first, which included clerks, equipment assistants and nursing orderlies is now due to return to Singapore.

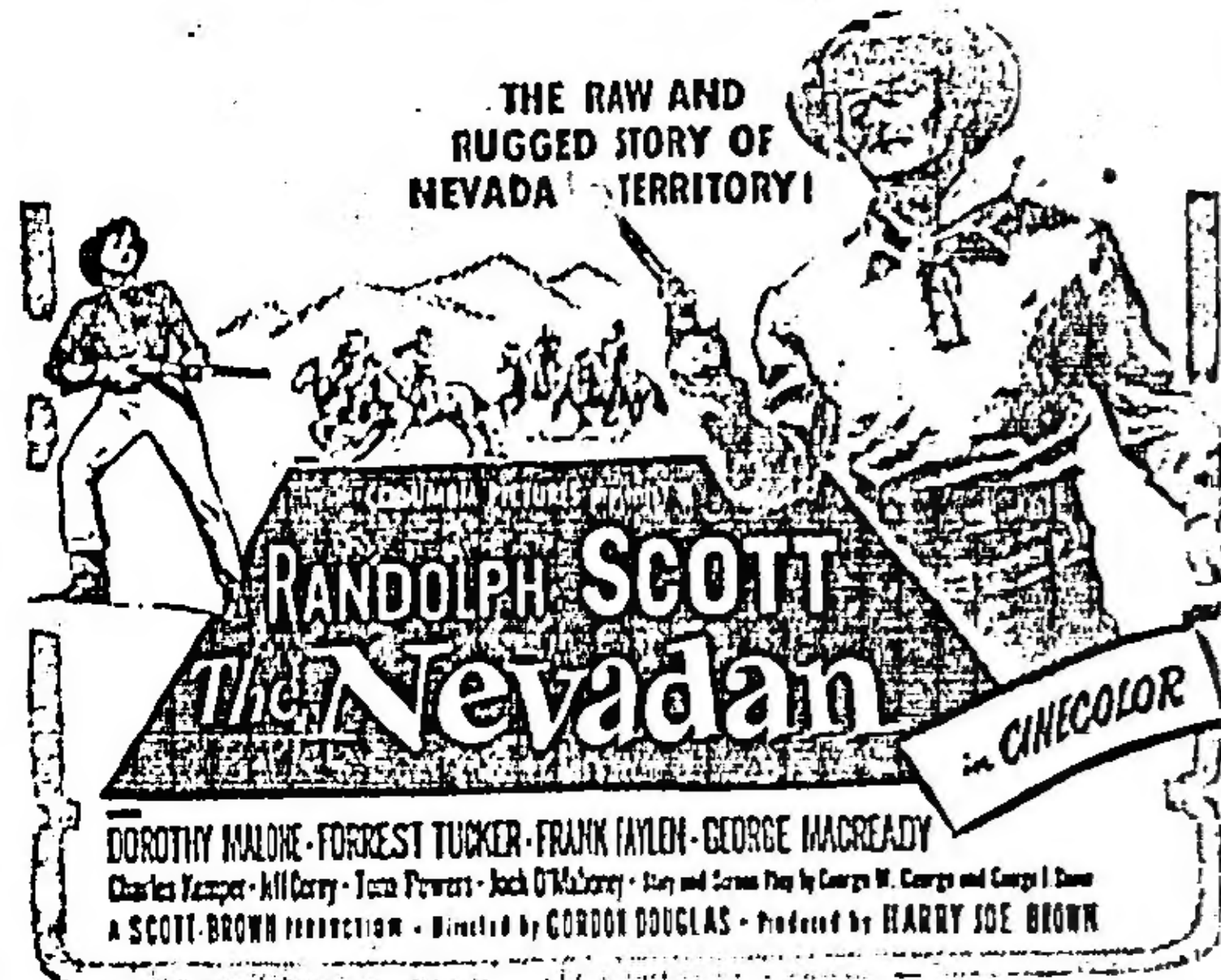
Their fortnight in Ceylon is spent at the hill station of Diyatalawa, and does not affect the airwomen's leave entitlement. In the mornings there are light outdoor exercises, interspersed with lecture and discussion periods, while afternoons are spent with rambling, picnics, swimming and other outdoor activities.

Diyatalawa is a recognized leave centre for RAF personnel stationed in Ceylon and has excellent recreational facilities, including a cinema and swimming bath. The airwomen are accommodated in semi-detached bungalows overlooking the playing fields.

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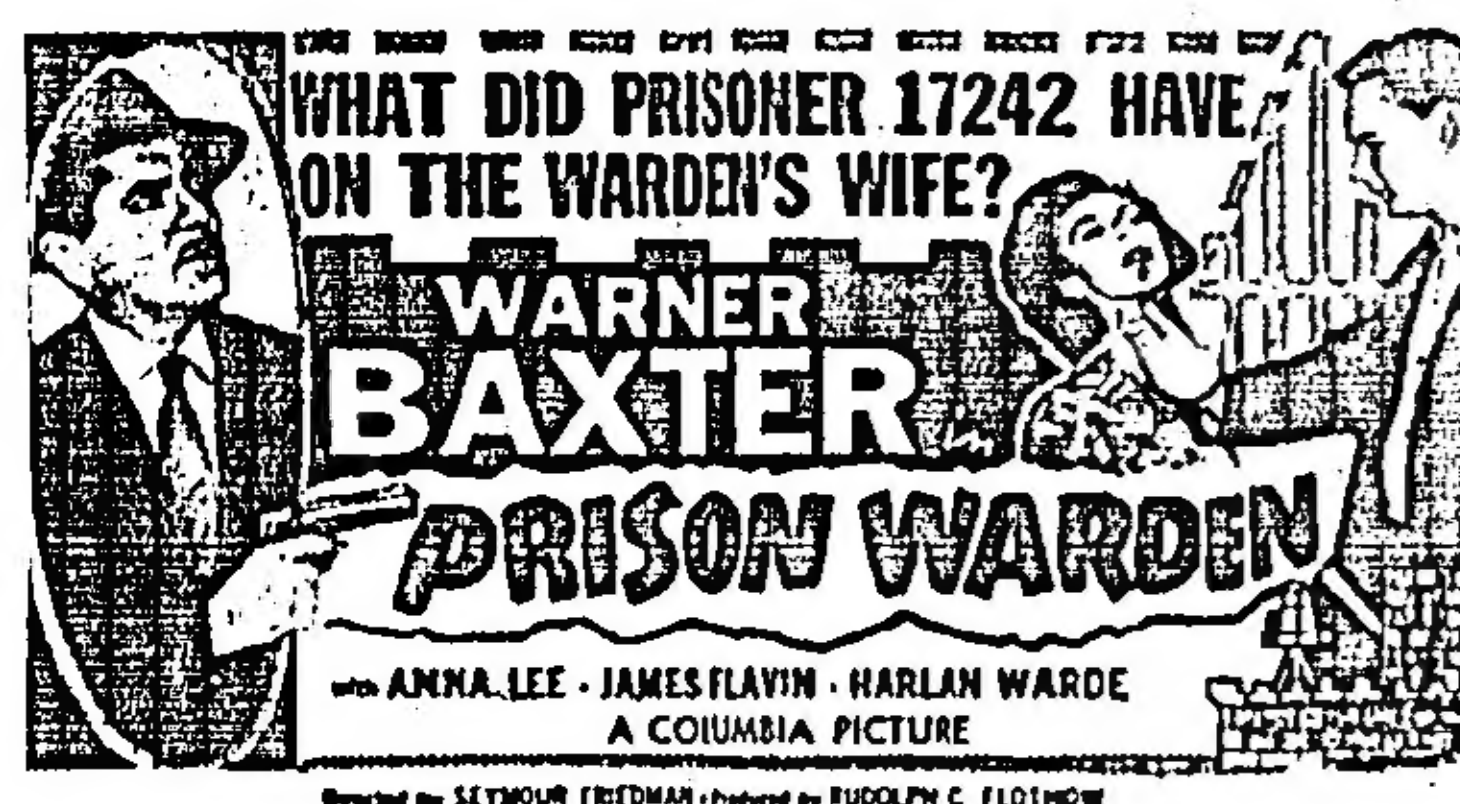
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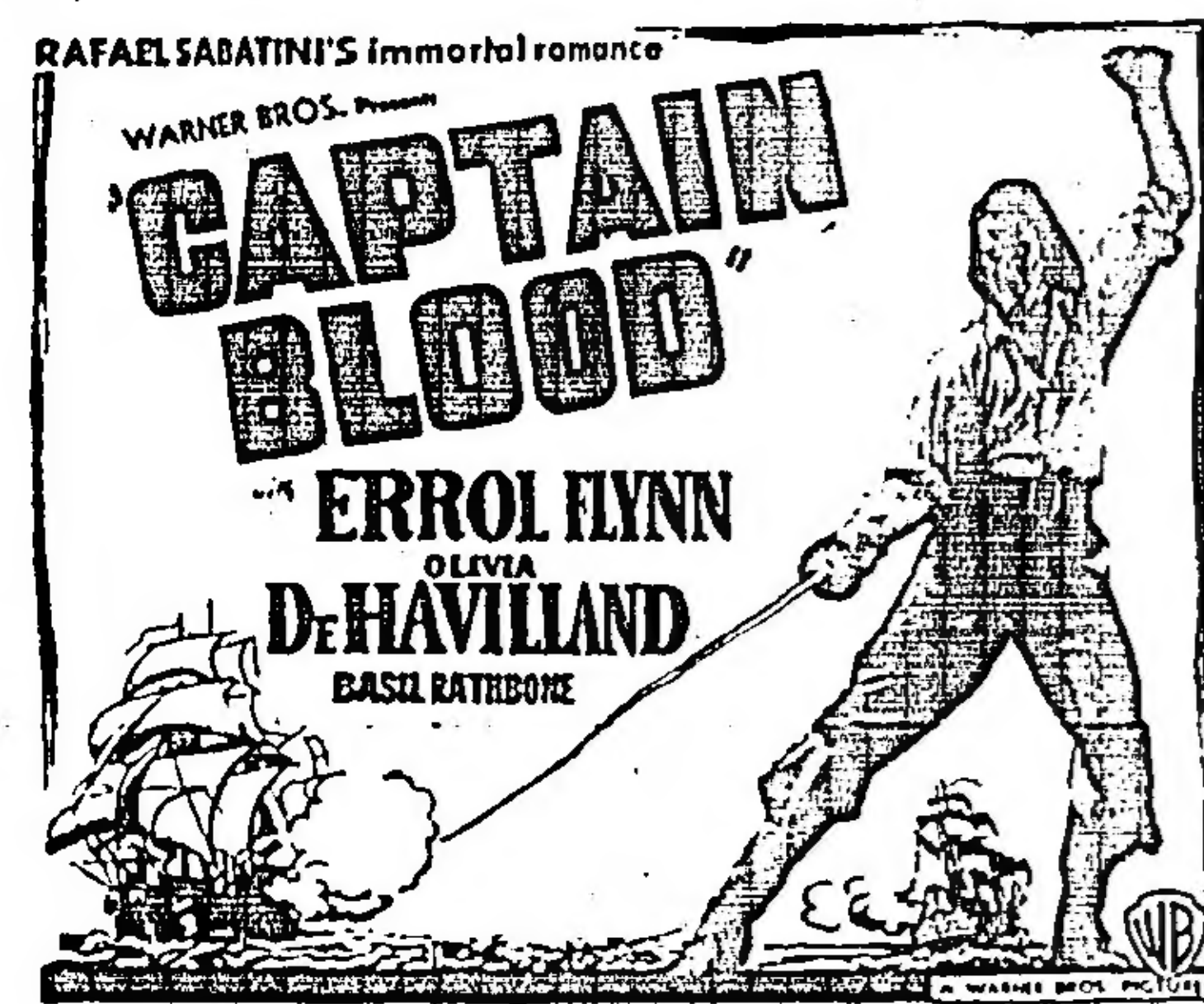


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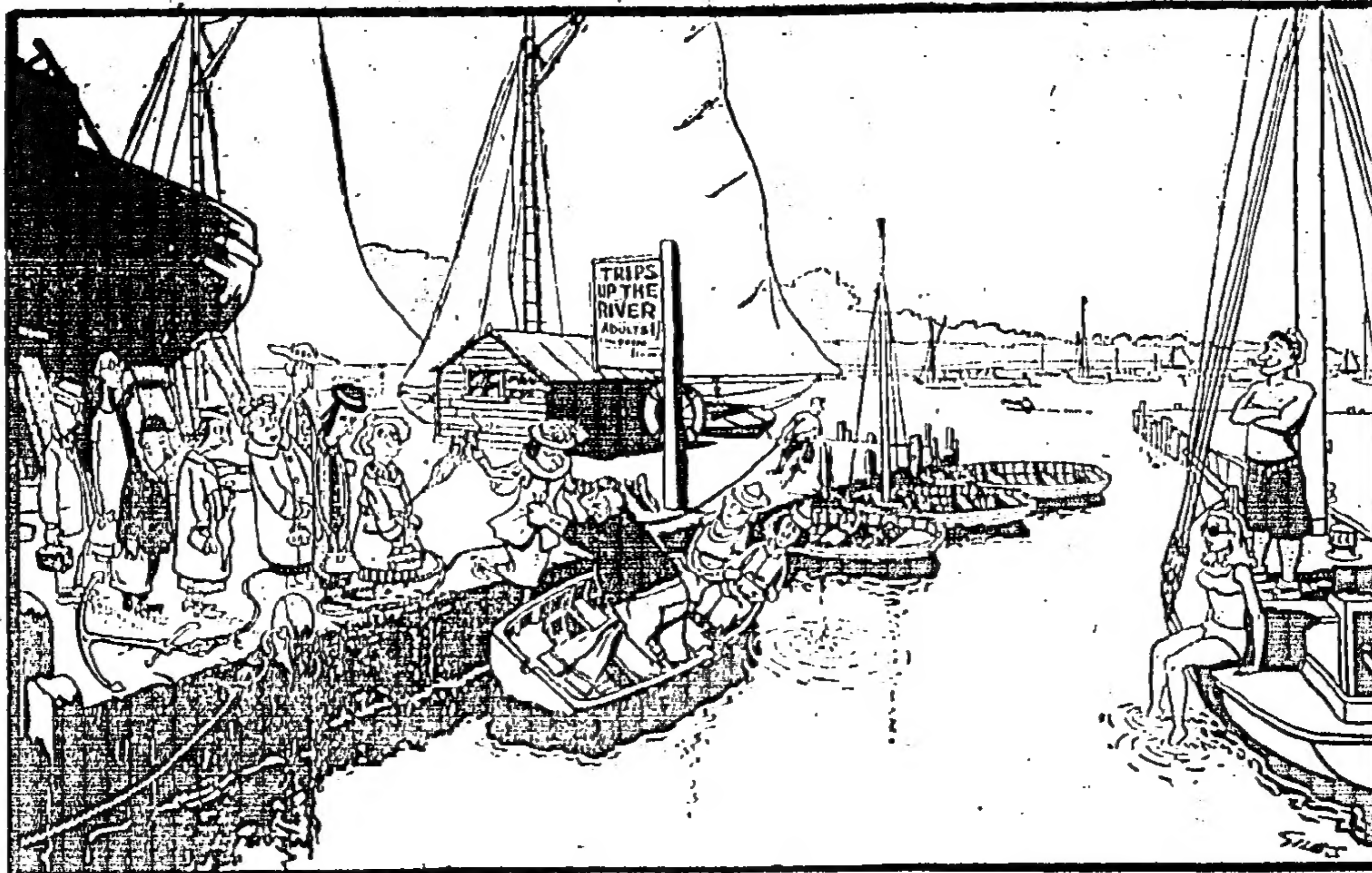
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"I hope he won't take us anywhere near Korea, Winnie."

London Express Service

EXCURSION BY THE PILGRIMS' PLANE

by JAMES LEASOR

LONDON. FOR dumpy, smiling Mrs Katherine McLoughlin, a miner's widow, and her daughter Rose, of Baillieston, by Glasgow, the dream of a lifetime has come true. They have made a Holy Year air pilgrimage to Rome, Turin, and Lourdes.

She said happily afterwards: "All our savings have gone on it. This is the greatest thing in our lives."

They were two of a party of 24 who flew to the Holy Places by charter aeroplane. They had 16 buses, fascinating days of visits to shrines and the sites of old miracles.

Not the least miraculous part of these excursion pilgrimages is their low cost: only 67 guineas for the 16 days. This includes all air fares, hotel bills, coach trips.

THE JOURNEY

PILGRIMS assemble in London in the early morning, hear Mass, drive by coach to Blackbushe Airport. Priests travel with each party as "spiritual directors." Prayers are said on the coach. Every pilgrim has a songbook.

At Turin they lunch, motor on to Rome. They have an audience with the Pope, fly on to Lourdes to see the shrine of Bernadette.

Lourdes is a busy, bustling town that has thrived for years on the story of the miracle. Except for a handful of garages and cafes, all shops are packed with crucifixes, images (some life size) of the Virgin Mary, clocks that chime Ave Maria, rosaries, and medals. Most popular shop is that of French-born Felix Douly, whose Irish wife helps him at the sign of "St. Laurence O'Toole."

DOULY and all Lourdes' other shop-keepers, cafe-owners, and curio vendors owe their riches to the vision of Bernadette. On a winter Thursday afternoon in 1858, this 14-year-old pious peasant girl who could neither read nor write gathered wood for her family's fire.

She came home with more than logs: she returned with a story that she had seen a beautiful young lady, clothed in white, with a blue girdle, near a grotto.

She said she recognised her as a Heavenly Visitation, was in ecstasy. She saw the same vision 17 more times. She became a nun. And a healing spring sprang up in the grotto. Such was the genesis of Lourdes as a shrine. Now a magnificent three-tiered church towers atop the Grotto. A great and impressive archway sweeps up to its spired gables.

And every evening, as darkness comes at nine, the tens of thousands of pilgrims assembled in the town make their processional march across it.

They march five deep, each holding a lighted candle in a waxed paper shade. On the shade is printed the Credo. The pilgrims read it by the candle flame.

Over the great span of the arch, behind the alabaster saints, weaving in and out across the square, they go, chanting Ave Maria, their tiny flames flickering like sparks of faith in a land of darkness.

Hidden choirs take up the refrain. The watching hills throw back the echo, and still the pilgrims go in a slowly mounting ecstasy while bells boom in the background, and the sick lie entranced on their

wheeled beds under the friendly trees.

Some lame and ailing totter with the marchers. Others fall flat on the ground and kiss the earth and pray. In the kindly candle-light their homely faces are as the faces of angels.

THE PRAYERS

UNDER the hill, beneath the church, is the Grotto. Discarded crutches of ailing who were healed thatch the hill.

Pilgrims kneel in front of spiked iron rails. Some fling out their arms in the attitude of the Cross; others fall prostrate. A life-size image of the Lady whom Bernadette saw long ago looks down calmly on the praying.

Many-branched candles flicker and flare. They never go out. On one side there is a "spiritual letter box" for personal requests to Our Lady of Lourdes. On the other, brass, spring-loaded taps sprout from the hillside. These carry the holy waters. People drink from them, wash under them.

Here, also, are the healing baths. Hundreds of crippled men and women bathe in what the official guide book calls "this rarely renewed water."

Says its writer: "By micro-bial analyses it was stated that

it contains a great many noxious germs. But it is nevertheless medically certain that this water naturally polluted remains in fact, even with so many people using it, an exceedingly sterilised water...."

It certainly is. There is no record of any infection being caused by the cold, thick water. And a panel of doctors wait to test any person who claims to be cured in the holy springs.

THE PEACE

BELLS boom ceaselessly, day and night. Coaches of pilgrims arrive and depart continually.

Watching the crowds pass by was Daniel Ward, a bachelor schoolmaster of 41 from Camberbusling's St. Brides Junior Secondary School. He was overcome with the beauty of it all, the serenity on the faces of the pilgrims, the peace everywhere.

"This is my first time abroad. This is more wonderful than I could have believed." And on Monday, as on every Monday through the summer, the planes soar off with their new pilgrims.

It is the most startling holiday excursion of them all....

—(London Express Service)

ATOM VILLAGE wonders about Uranium 235

From ALAN JOHNSON

CAPENHURST, Cheshire.

FROM his rambling, red brick farmhouse, young Mr Edmund Cookson can see over much of the 65 acres of land he once owned.

He can see the green fields now empty of cattle and corn, the neglected barns and the untrimmed hedges.

Beyond this, he can watch the army of workmen busy on Britain's new atom station.

The farmhouse is all Mr Cookson has left—the rest of his farm was requisitioned by the Government last February. He is waiting for his compensation.

With the other 130 people in this tiny hamlet, he is wondering what will happen following the news that Capenhurst has been chosen

to mass-produce uranium 235—the atomic explosive used in the bomb that shattered Hiroshima—and that plans are being speeded up on the £10 millions plant.

As we stood in his farmyard he pointed to his children playing, and told me: "I'd like to get them away from here and start farming somewhere else. I don't want to stay near here now."

NO POLICE

He voiced the feeling of some of the other farmers in the village when he said: "Why do they want to do this work here? This is good farming land. Why don't they pick a spot over in the Welsh mountains?"

Capenhurst has always been a farming community. There are no shops, no inn, no post office, no policemen.

The hamlet straggles along leafy lanes 5½ miles from Chester.

Until a few years ago there was a squire. He lived at the big hall and owned all the farms that made up the hamlet. It was a self-contained community.

With the war there came a munitions factory which was built down by the tiny railway station.

"That was the beginning of all this," I was told by the rector, the Rev. E. Backhouse, who lives in a 20-roomed rectory near the ivy-covered church.

"The atomic people moved in last winter. They did not even approach us. We knew that something 'hush-hush' was going on, but that was all."

He too, was anxious. "We have a school here which is attended by 52 children. They come from our hamlet and from other villages round about. Will these experiments be dangerous?" Another young farmer, Mr E. T. Maddock, whose family has

When the moon comes over the Pyramids...

(From A Special Correspondent)

THOSE who love gossip and thrive on scandals should board the next plane to Cairo or Alexandria.

The incredible doings of the Egyptian royal family have turned the whole Nile Delta into a whispering gallery.

The silk caused by King Farouk's infatuation for 16-year-old Narriman Sadek, and the wedding in San Francisco last April of the king's youngest sister Fathia to Christian Riad Gali, had not died down when two brand new scandals broke out.

Formidable censorship has so far prevented news of these from reaching the outside world.

Car swoop

The first broke in an unorthodox way. Egyptian police morality squads have recently started a campaign against love-making in cars.

On fast motorcycles, they patrol highways at night and swoop down on cars parked in romantic spots.

The editor of an Egyptian magazine thought it a good idea to send a photographer along with a morality squad.

A few miles outside Alexandria on the road to Ismailia the patrol saw a large car parked just off the road. They approached quietly.

As a policeman wrenched open the door the photographer fired his flash bulb. Then they saw the chapely legs of a well-known entertainer, and beside her a personage of high importance.

The police fled in terror, the personage burst out of the car and dashed the photographer's fez down to his chin. He dropped his camera and fled.

Friend must go

The second scandal is still in full bloom. One of the king's four sisters lately developed a friendship with a charming young foreigner of good family.

Farouk asked his sister to drop this friendship, but she refused. So the foreigner has been ordered out of the country.

Farouk has had enough trouble with his sister. The American wedding of 20-year-old Fathia caused such a storm of indignation in Egypt that even the Narriman affair was pushed in the background.

Farouk, backed by the royal council, declared the marriage void and deprived her mother, Queen Mother Nazli, of all rights.

These drastic decisions met with the approval of the Egyptian people. It is believed that neither Nazli nor Fathia will return to Egypt for a long time. Although they both like spending money extravagantly they should still be fairly well off.

Last year they received from Egypt £700,000 in dollars, while the queen's jewels are worth more than £1,000,000.

This Narriman affair has turned into a romance into mystery. The girl the king is believed to have chosen to sit with him on the Pharaoh's throne has vanished for two months.

At the end of May a plane of the Saido Air Company, which is owned by the king, landed Narriman in Rome.

In Cairo it is now believed she is staying near Geneva.

A widespread theory is that she is completing her education before stepping up to the throne.

Farouk's attachment to Narriman has done a lot of harm to his reputation. People object to Narriman's family, to the girl herself, and the way the affair was conducted.

Narriman's father, who died four months ago, was a railway official with a reputation for taking bribes. Narriman is considered too modern in manners and ideas.

On beach

Farouk first noticed her last summer, on the beach at Alexandria, and put her down on the list of society girls from which he might choose a wife. Meanwhile, Narriman became engaged to Zaki Hachem, a young Egyptian diplomat.

In February the king saw her again at a dance in Cairo, and decided to strike a closer acquaintance. His confidential secretary, barber, and sentimental adviser, Pelli Bey, an Italian, arranged a meeting in a fashionable jeweller's.

Narriman was looking at a pair of earrings which her fiancé had commissioned for her. The king walked up to her, snatched the earrings out of her hand and threw them into a waste paper basket saying: "You are wearing something better, pretty eyes."

At the root of Farouk's unpopularity lies his divorce from Farida on the grounds that she had given him three girls in succession and that there was little hope of a male heir.

Farida was very much loved by the people, and after the divorce, whenever she appeared in public she was cheered.

She refused

Farouk, it is said, tried to regain his popularity by twice asking her to marry him again. But she refused. She could not forget her humiliations.

Despite all this, Farouk's political position has never been better. Nuhus, Pasha, leader of the old revolutionary, and the king's arch-enemy, turned into the king's closest collaborator and obedient servant once he became Prime Minister.

Religious leaders whom the king receives and flatters very often support him in turn. His is a Police State. But despite the secrecy and fear surrounding the palace, people cannot keep their mouths shut.

—(London Express Service)

NANCY

Gunning for Him

By Ernie Bushmiller



IS YUGOSLAVIA NEXT ON KREMLIN'S LIST AFTER KOREA?

Belgrade, Aug. 20.

Is Yugoslavia next on the Kremlin's list after Korea for a cold war shouting match? This is the question many people here are asking.

Russia's satellites along Yugoslavia's North and Eastern borders have intensified their nerve war against this country since the invasion of South Korea.

The tone of their propaganda, which now alleges that Marshal Tito, with Western support, has "aggressive designs" on his Cominform neighbours, and various military and security measures are reported being taken on their side of the border, could be interpreted as preparations for a "self-defence" attack on Yugoslavia of the North Korean type.

Reports reaching here from Bulgaria indicate that for some time now the Bulgarians have been systematically strengthening their military posts along the frontier, building "barracks" and occasionally moving troops, including their crack 2nd Armored Brigade, towards the Yugoslav frontier.

Three frontier incidents occurred recently involving the exchange of shots between Yugoslav and Bulgarian frontier guards and the killing of one Bulgarian.

Anti-Yugoslav propaganda has been intensified in border towns and villages and warnings have been sent round to Bulgarian peasants to be on guard against all attempts to burn their crops by "Serbian Fascist hitlers."

PARTIALLY CLOSED

More recently the Bulgarians partially closed their frontier with Yugoslavia, forbidding movement across it of peasants of both nationalities who own land on either side of the border.

In Rumania what the Yugoslavs describe as suspicious military manoeuvres by Rumanian troops coincide with alleged "terrorisation" of the Yugoslav minority living just inside the border.

More troops and police have been drafted into these areas and mass arrests and deportations to "unknown destinations" of Yugoslavs have been reported.

Much the same thing is reported to be happening in Hungary. According to Borba, the official journal of the Yugoslav Communist Party, three to four thousand Yugoslavs living in the South-Western border province of Hungary were moved further inland at 48 hours' notice and an operation to clear all Yugoslavs from frontier areas appears now to be under way.

There are also many rumours of various other military moves, Russian and satelite, but no more, and if anything, in the opinion of military observers, a little less than there were this time last year.

They are anyway to be expected just before the regular annual autumn manoeuvres.

CREDIBLE RUMOURS Most credible of the rumours, these observers consider, are those of the continued arrival by train and ship of Soviet arms and equipment. This would be in line with Russia's openly declared intentions of modernising and strengthening the armies of her Eastern satellites.

On the whole, Marshal Tito and his Government do not appear to be taking all these developments too seriously. At any rate they have not thought it worth while to return to Belgrade from their lakeside holiday at Bled in Slovenia.

Nor, it is reliably learned, have they made any attempts to obtain arms from the United States though, in the opinion of

some observers, they would not be averse to American credits with which to purchase arms. This is not to say that developments in Korea have not caused considerable nervousness here; more nervousness in fact, than Western diplomats think, than the Soviet troop movements along the Yugoslav-Bulgarian and Rumanian borders caused in August and September of last year.

The invasion of Southern Korea by a Soviet satellite came as something of a shock to a country which has been bitterly attacked by the Soviet Union and its satellites on its borders.

TITO'S VIEW

All the more so as Yugoslav officials have consistently discounted the possibility of Russia attempting an attack on their country or helping the neighbouring Cominform States to do so on their own account.

Only this spring, Marshal Tito expressed the opinion before foreign correspondents that Russia would not go to war "because under no circumstances will Russia risk being the aggressor."

Developments in the Far East might, Western observers think, oblige Marshal Tito to modify this view.

At present the Yugoslavs prefer to interpret events on their borders as a stepping up of the cold war against them with the two-fold object of:

1.—Diverting the Cominform people's attention from their own internal difficulties arising from the Yugoslav struggle against Soviet domination and economic exploitation.

2.—Keeping the Yugoslav border regions in a continuous state of unrest and uncertainty and to force the diversion of defence resources to the defence of the country can afford.

ON THE FENCE

Though publicly the Yugoslavs continue to sit on the fence as regards Korea, preferring to regard the outbreak of the politics of "spheres of influence" which they claim to have constantly opposed, Western diplomatic observers believe they are not indifferent to its outcome.

While their official propaganda shouts "a plague on both your houses" to Russia and the United States, both of whom, it claims, are wrongly interfering with the internal affairs of a small country for the sake of power politics, a Communist victory in Korea would not, it is thought, necessarily suit them.

One view here is that if the Soviet Koreans gain substantial and permanent successes against the Americans the Kremlin might be tempted to try further adventures, including that of eliminating once and for all the "heretic" Tito.

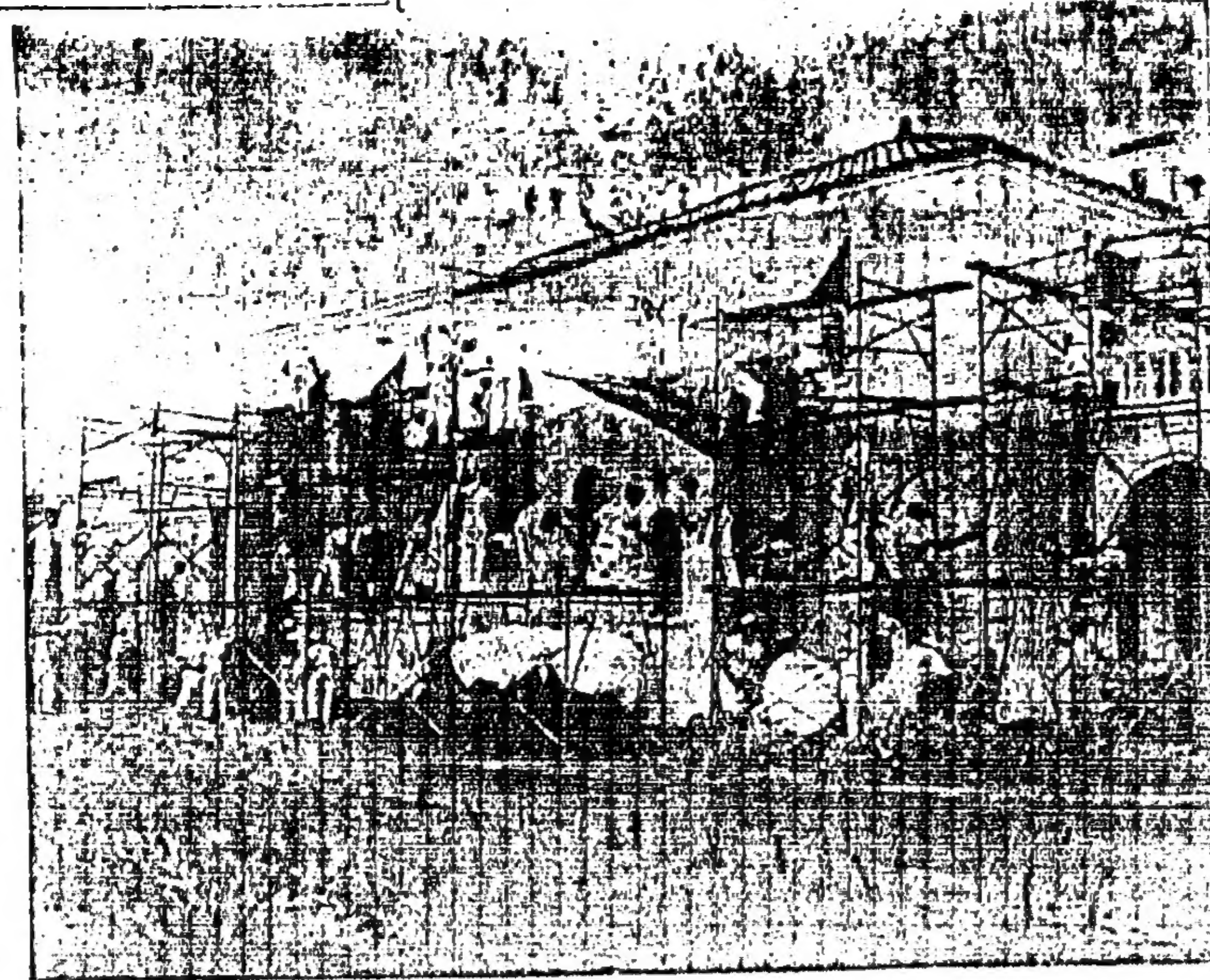
Mitigating against this is, however, the Yugoslav belief that their half a million strong and well-trained army is more than a match for their neighbours, whether single or together, and that an armed intervention against this country, to be successful, would require the participation of the Red Army.

This, it is felt, might be just a bit further than Moscow is prepared to go in risking a third world war.—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"They may be the famous pigeons of St. Mark's, but they don't look any different to me than the courthouse pigeons at home!"



U.S. CITIES SEE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF UNIFORMED MEN

New York.

Out on the Pacific Coast, 3,000 miles nearer the Korean war scene than here, outward effects of the United States' struggle with Communist aggression were more quickly and more vigorously apparent than on the Atlantic Coast.

The great ports and airfields of Washington, Oregon and California burst into anti-like activity almost overnight and with increasing intensity as the size of the necessary United States war effort became clearer.

Busy as they were during the last five years of peacetime exercises and progress, cities such as Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego now see the hustle and bustle, the coming and going of uniformed men, defence facilities, and progress, and the arrival of ships and planes, which were so familiar during the Second World War.

They were then the great supply and staging bases for the gigantic United States effort against the Japanese in the Pacific. The need for speed to reinforce the sorely-pressed men under General Douglas MacArthur is the driving force in the revival of these activities of 1940-45.

San Diego, in California, a great naval base, is perhaps the busiest of the lot. It is the Navy which must provide the supply lines of fighting equipment across 7,000 long, long miles of the Pacific.

"San Diego is today like a city unexpectedly caught in a recurring dream," a recent visitor to the city said on his return here. "It is seeing again the activity of days that stretch those soon after Pearl Harbor."

The grim, methodical departure of the First Marine Division within three weeks of the opening shots in Korea and the quickening tempo within numerous defence establishments on the shore-side are forceful reminders of the San Diego area's prime importance for backing up United States moves in the Pacific.

San Diego's experience in coping with spectacular growth during a national emergency may stand it in good stead today.

Latest word from the San Diego Marine base is that more units are going up for new recruits coming in and expected.—Reuter.

NAVAL INSTALLATIONS

The Navy alone has more than \$200,000,000 invested in installations along San Diego Bay, first Pacific port-of-call North of the Panama Canal.

The Bay, one of the world's ten great natural harbours, is landlocked, free from currents, and accessible to all types of vessels the year round.

Its broad expanse—22 square miles—is frequent host to the Pacific Fleet and the mooring place for a sizable reserve of "mothballed" fighting ships, some now earmarked to be realised for active service.

Headquarters for the 11th Naval District, the Naval Operating Base of San Diego is an immense establishment. It includes a 500-acre training centre that has 17 service schools and an average daily population in peacetime of about 24,000.

It has extensive repair and drydock facilities. There is the 2,363-acre North Island Air Station, with convenient adjoining berths for aircraft carriers.

At Silver Strand, an amphibious base established in 1944 is ready. There is the Marine Corps base, which is the nerve centre for all Marine activities on the Pacific Coast.

That does not complete the installation list. The Naval Hospital has an emergency capacity of more than five thousand bed patients.

There are an important Naval Supply Depot and a Naval Electronics Laboratory.

The Army has a harbour defence post at Fort Rosecrans, on Point Loma, and the Coast

Setting a new record for house-painting, a hundred union painters swarmed all around the St. Joseph's Villa Orphanage in Miami, Fla., to complete the outside painting job in two minutes and 42 seconds. About 50 gallons of paint covered the 5,000 square feet.

BOMBAY STRIKE SPREADING

Bombay, Aug. 20.

The Socialist-sponsored Bombay textile workers' strike gained great momentum on its 100th day today when over 200,000 mill-hands played away from work, forcing 50 of the city's 62 mills to close down completely.

Only one mill is working with its full complement while "emergency attendance" was reported at the few others open today.

The Socialists today attempted to stage several processions which the police prevented in view of the city-wide ban.

The police arrested 80 persons for defying the banned meetings and demonstrations while five others from mill areas were taken into custody after reports of stone throwing and intimidation of non-striking workers.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

11:15 P.M. "Hongkong Calling"—Programme Summary: 6:02, Children's Half Hour—Conducted by Jack Frost (Studio); 6:30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7:00, The Quaker Girl—A Light Opera by Lionel Monckton, the 1932 Midland Light Orchestra and Choir (BBC); 8:00, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 8:15, "I Like What I Like"—Presented by Kenneth Mackenzie (Studio); 8:45, Linda, later talks on "The Song of Owen Ap. Nudd" (Joseph Belland—Op. 21) Soloist; Grace Lyndon with the London Promenade Orch.; 9:45, "I'ma" (BBC); 10:15, Latin American Music; 10:30, United Nations Album; 10:40, Dance to Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra; 11:00, Radio News; 11:05, (London Relay); 11:15, Weather Report; 11:30, Goodnight Music; God Save the King; 11:30, Close Down.

QUEEN ALIYAH

London, Aug. 20.

Queen Aliyah, the Queen Mother of Iraq, who entered a London nursing home nearly a fortnight ago, was stated today to be maintaining progress.—Reuter.

National Press Club Plan To Establish Memorial Fund To Late Colonel Unni Nayar

Washington, Aug. 20.

The National Press Club today announced its intention of establishing a memorial fund in honour of the late Colonel Unni Nayar of India, the money to be used in bringing Indian newspapermen to the United States for travel and study.

KOREAN STRUGGLE

(Continued from Page 1)

one and a half miles north of Kongwa against desperate North Korean resistance. The attack was resumed today with effective air support.

In this general sector, elements of the ROK 6th Division were attacked yesterday. The North Korean attack was continued today but the situation has been stabilised.

Troops of the United States 25th Division were attacked yesterday near the town of Yungpoo by a North Korean force estimated at one battalion.

One area was slightly penetrated, principally through infiltration by Communist forces. A counter-attack by friendly forces stabilised the situation and partly restored the position.

Communist patrols were probing continuously in the Chingju area, further to the west in the same region, where a battle in the high ground east of the town has been going on for the past three days.

Rebuffed in the Nakdong River "bulge" battle and checked in their offensive further north, the Communists have been heavily reinforcing their battered 6th Division in this area and have been steadily putting on pressure during the past 72 hours.

ROUT IN THE BULGE

The American 25th Infantry today counter-attacked and partly restored the line penetrated yesterday by the Communist thrusts east of Chingju. The situation here and in the Masan area was said by the Americans to be "under control."

The preparations for an assault on Pusan through Masan suggested last night that the rout of the Northerners in the "bulge," completed yesterday, had not eliminated the general threat to the vital port along the north-east approaches.

But the bulge itself at least has been cleared of the last remnants of the Communist 7th Division, with the Americans firmly sitting on the high ground commanding the river valley on the east bank.

Elsewhere on the front, to the north, the situation was relatively quiet. But the overall position of the United Nations troops was notably better than it was four days ago.

General MacArthur's communique said that the Northerners were becoming "more aggressive" in the 1st Cavalry Division sector in the middle of the central line.

And in the north and northwest, there was "continuous pressure" on the South Koreans. There was no fresh news last night about the South Korean landings on Tokchoek, near Inchon, on the west coast, and the Tongyeong area of the south coast.—Reuter.

POW IN Hands Of Russians

Lake Success, Aug. 20.

Britain, Australia and the United States today asked the United Nations General Assembly, at its forthcoming meeting, to discuss Russia's "failure" to repatriate all prisoners taken during the second World War.

A telegram, sent to the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie asked that this item be added to the agenda.—Reuter.

Moslems From Albania Tour Russia

London, Aug. 20.

A delegation of Moslem priests from Albania, headed by the Albanian Chief Mufti, is visiting Russia, Moscow Radio announced tonight.

The delegation has visited Moscow, Odessa, Tashkent and Samarkand. Its members were given an opportunity to study the religious life of the Soviet Union, Moscow Radio said, as well as witnessing the Soviet achievements in economy and culture.

The Chief Mufti said he was glad to have seen with his own eyes that the people of the Soviet Union were free to worship as they pleased.—Reuter.

Monarchists Greet Princess

Madrid, Aug. 20.

Princess Beatrice de Bourbon, eldest sister of Don Juan, claimant to the Spanish throne, arrived here by air from Lisbon today.

About 100 monarchists were at the airport when she arrived with her husband, the Italian Prince Alessandro Torlonia, and their daughter.—Reuter.

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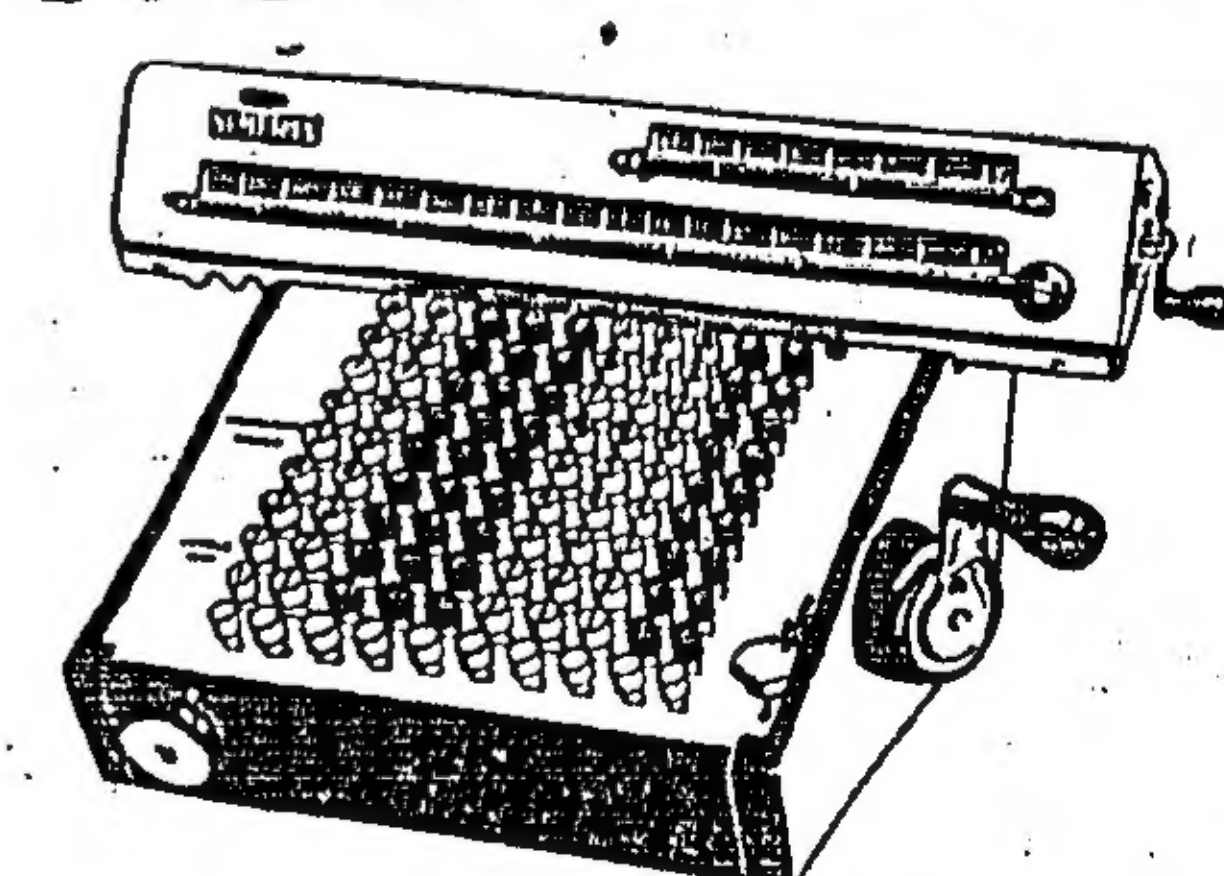
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BRITAIN'S FASTEST



June Foulds, sixteen-year-old East Acton girl, who has been chosen to compete in the 100 metres and long jump for Britain in the European Athletic Championships at Brussels this week.—(London Express Service).

John Macadam's Column

THAT IDEAL WING HAS VANISHED

There has been a lot of this and that about not only the football season that appears to have finished only yesterday and the one that appears to be about to start only tomorrow, and it is interesting to note what the boys in the back bar are saying.

Certainly, there is no despondency in this or any other house about the make-up of any of the current local teams now pursuing in practice and ready at the drop of the hat to rattle into serious League action.

But there was heavy cogitation when we indicated that present day Soccer consisted of a comparatively few individuals and a great number of moderate performers, with practically no great combinations of players such as we knew in the old days.

We were told enough to declare that the greatest player combination was the Motherwell wing of Stevenson and Ferrier and challenged the society to produce a better wing based on complete understanding rather than the brilliance of any one player.

You know, when either one of these players went off that the other would know precisely what he was going to do in any given set of circumstances and would take position accordingly. Their co-ordination was perfect and let it go at that.

NOT QUITE

That started it. Had I never heard of Dimmock and Ellis? I had, but I still thought

Belgian Cyclist Wins Road Race Championship

Moorledre, Aug. 20. Schotte, of Belgium, today won the professional road racing event in the World Cycling Championships. Second was Middelkamp, of Holland, Kubler, of Switzerland, was third.

There was a great battle between several riders for third place, but it eventually went to the Swiss Tour de France winner, Kubler, who just beat the Dutchman, Schutte, for the honour.

The crowd swarmed around the Belgian who had thus won one of the seven world titles for his country. Australia and France each won two and England, Italy and Belgium one each. The fair-haired Belgian had to be protected by the police as so many enthusiasts wanted to shake his hand.—Reuter.

SPORTING SAM



By Reg. Wootton



IT'S RIDICULOUS TO PERMIT THE CRICKET AND SOCCER SEASONS TO OVERLAP

SAYS PETER DITTON

This year the overlap between cricket and soccer has become even more pronounced. For instance when Arsenal and Tottenham, newly promoted from the Second Division, are doing battle at Highbury in what promises to be one of the most thrilling soccer matches of the season, at nearby Lords, Middlesex will be entertaining the West Indies cricket team.

In Scotland the first battle for soccer points has already begun, and yet at the time of writing the fourth Test has not even started.

It is of course perfectly ridiculous that such an overlap should be permissible. Apart from anything else it cannot do the clubs themselves any good. Even allowing for the fact that there are some soccer fans who would never watch cricket and vice versa, there can be no denying that gate receipts at both sports do suffer.

The loss is small. That is perfectly true, but only because the overlap is a short one. Still I cannot help thinking that it is not really necessary at all and that one or two more mid-week soccer fixtures would enable the position to be avoided.

NATURAL COMPLAINT

The natural complaint about mid-week soccer is that it keeps people away from work. But there is no objection to mid-week cricket matches because attendances are smaller. This however does not alter the fact that cricket matches take place during five working days for a period of three months and so obviously there cannot be much difference in the loss of working hours involved through absenteeism.

But turning from the problem of the "overlap" to the more general survey of club prospects one can visualize another brilliant struggle in the First Division as Portsmouth strive to maintain their position and retain the Championship for the third successive season.

As in the past two years their strength will be their magnificent half-back line of Dickinson, Elwin and Scouler. It will be up to these three to see that speedy wing-men Froggatt and Harris are liberally supplied with the ball and if they can carry out that job then Portsmouth's chances must be rosy.

CENTRE OF ATTENTION

The other club whose activities will be the centre of attention in the Tottenham Manager Arthur Rowe has modestly suggested he thinks they will finish in the top half of the table. That

Open Rinks Semi-Finals Go To Form

Favourites had a field afternoon in yesterday's Colony Lawn Bowls Open Rinks semi-finals at the Taiton Dock Club.

The rinks skipped by L. N. Baker and Johnny Ribeiro entered the finals as expected with comfortable wins over the pairs of S. H. Martin and C. Rosa-Perreira respectively.

THE SCORES

The following were the scores:

E. Greenwood, A. L. G. Eastman, W. C. Simpson, L. Sykes (skip) beat C. Pope, W. J. Cameron, H. Brown, S. H. J. Martin (skip) 28-11.
R. M. V. Ribeiro, E. M. Alarcon, A. A. Lopez, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip) beat H. F. Pina, C. A. Noronha, C. P. Bado, C. Rosa-Perreira (skip) 25-12.

Soccer Holiday In Switzerland

Geneva, Aug. 20. Several visiting football teams have had week-end engagements in Switzerland. Borussia Dortmund (Germany) defeated Basel today by 1-0.

Karlsruhe beat Derendingen by 3-1 after winning 3-2 against Basel yesterday.

Maccabi Tel Aviv beat Lucerne today by 5-2, while the Freiburg Sports Club lost 1-4 to Solothurn today after beating Basel 0-2 yesterday.—Reuter.

WATCH FULHAM

Another London club which may catch the eye is Fulham. They have spent nearly £50,000 in securing the transfers of Macaulay (Arsenal), Lowe (Aston Villa), Black (Southampton) and Brennan (Birmingham), all of whom are internationals. They may take some time to blend with the rest of the team, but once they have

Rousing Send-Off To The English Soccer Season

London, Aug. 19. More than a million fans packed the stands and terraces at 46 English soccer league club grounds today to give the new season a rousing send-off.

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DISTINCTION

Hull City's Danish star, Virgo Jensen, had the enviable distinction of being the first player to put through his first goal in a league match away from home. He did so in a 2-1 win over West Ham, but Hull fought back to share the points.

Over half a million fans flocked to the 11 premier division games with nearly 70,000 at White Hart Lane, London, to watch the return of Tottenham Hotspur to League One after 15 years' absence.

Tottenham's start was most unhappy for they were dazed at the wily play of the England and Blackpool right-winger, Stanley Matthews and crashed 1-4. In fact all four clubs who gained promotion last season were well beaten.

Sheffield Wednesday also conceded four goals to Chelsea, who were brilliantly led in the first half by the roving Roy Bentley, while in the second

Rugger Results

London, Aug. 19. The following were the results of Rugby League matches played: Barrow 17, Wakefield Trinity 11; Belle Vue Rangers 6, Batley 7; Dewsbury 13, Wigan 20; Featherstone Rovers 27, Liverpool Stanley 13; Huddersfield versus Salford, late kick-off; Hull 18, Bradford Northern 10; Leeds 29, Workington Town 15; Leigh versus Hunslet, late kick-off; Rochdale Hornets 8 and Brunley 13; St Helens 17, Widnes 7; Swinton 12, Halifax 16; Warrington 55, Hull Kingston Rovers 3; Whitehaven 10, Oldham 10; York 7, Kighley 32.—Reuter.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS TAKE THE FIELD AGAIN



Portsmouth Football Club, First Division Champions for the last two football seasons, take the field for the first practice match of the season led by Reg Flewin who has captained the Champions for the past four years. He is just back from the Football Association's Canadian tour.

Fred Perry Optimistic On The Future Of Tennis In England

BY ARCHIE QUICK

Fred Perry, greatest of all British lawn tennis players, does not belong to the school of pessimism. He is optimistic enough to believe there is a bright future for lawn tennis in Britain as long as the available talent is handled properly.

When I met the ex-triple Wimbledon champion the other day at Hove and we chatted over the days when he was but a humble member of the Ealing Club, West London, he had just completed an arduous but to him compensating tour which had taken him on behalf of the Lawn Tennis Association to every corner of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, as a special coach.

"I have been well paid for the job, of course," he said. He did not mention the balancing act he had sustained through being away from his school of Coaching, by the way, on this tip home, regained the professional title at the Scarborough tournament.

TWO MUSTS

"Two things must be done in this country," he said. "The Lawn Tennis Association must appoint more and more coaches, and they must dig deep among the parks players if we are to regain any sort of prestige. These wonderful girls from California who have swept all before them do not come from the moneyed class. They were found in the public parks by National Association scouts and coaches. So were many of the leading men players. I was virtually a parks player too."

"Out in the British provinces there is a mass of promising talent waiting to be discovered. Financially it cannot do its own discovering. It is up to the Lawn Tennis Association to go and find it. It is from the middle classes that the Lawn Tennis Association will find its most prolific source of wealth."

Perry said that he had a high opinion of the potentialities of Miss Susan Partridge, the young Birmingham player who is just ending a very successful first senior season.

"She can become a second Dorothy Round," said Fred. "But apart from those just edging into the senior class, have coached dozens of very young players over here recently, and I truly believe that the right material is there if it is correctly worked upon. After all, it is only intensive practice

SHOT PUT RECORD GOES TO 59 FEET

Stockholm, Aug. 20. Jim Fuchs, of the United States, today set new figures for the world record shot put when at Vikky he attained a distance of 17.91 metres (59 feet 0 1/2 inches).

Only three days ago Fuchs, in Stockholm, reached 17.79 metres to exceed the present world record figures of 17.68 metres which have stood to the credit of another American, Charles Fowles, since 1948.—Reuter.

Another Blow To Britain's Hopes At Brussels

London, Aug. 20. Nick Stacey, the English international sprinter, will be unable to go to Brussels for the European Athletics Championships because of a recurrence of a muscle injury.

He said today that he did not feel 100 per cent fit after a tryout at the White City Stadium on Saturday. This is the second blow suffered by the England team for another sprinter, John Wilkinson, dropped out of the team with a bulged muscle.

NO RELAY TEAM?

Mr Jack Crump, the British team manager, is now in Brussels and will make representations to the authorities for Alan Grieve to substitute for Wilkinson in the 100 metres and for Brian Shenton to run in the 200 metres. It had been proposed that Stacey should take Wilkinson's place in the 200 metres and unless substitutions are allowed England may not have a relay team.—Reuter.

HKRA Hold First Shoot In 10 Years

After a lapse of 10 years, the Hongkong Rifle Association got going again yesterday with its first shoot at the range near Kai Tak.

It was decided to revive the Association at a meeting in June, and already the membership stands at 52. Thirty-eight of these attended yesterday's shoot, which was in the nature of a try out for the rifles.

First of all there was group practice and then two sprints of seven rounds each at 200 yards. For this Mr Wong Dor donated a spoon which was won by Mr O. R. Sadick, the Treasurer of the Association, with a maximum 28 out of 28.

Incidentally, Mr Wong Dor also scored 28. There were eight women among the shooters, all of them members of the Defence Force. They all shot very well, some of them scoring 20.

It is hoped that a shoot will take place every two or three weeks.

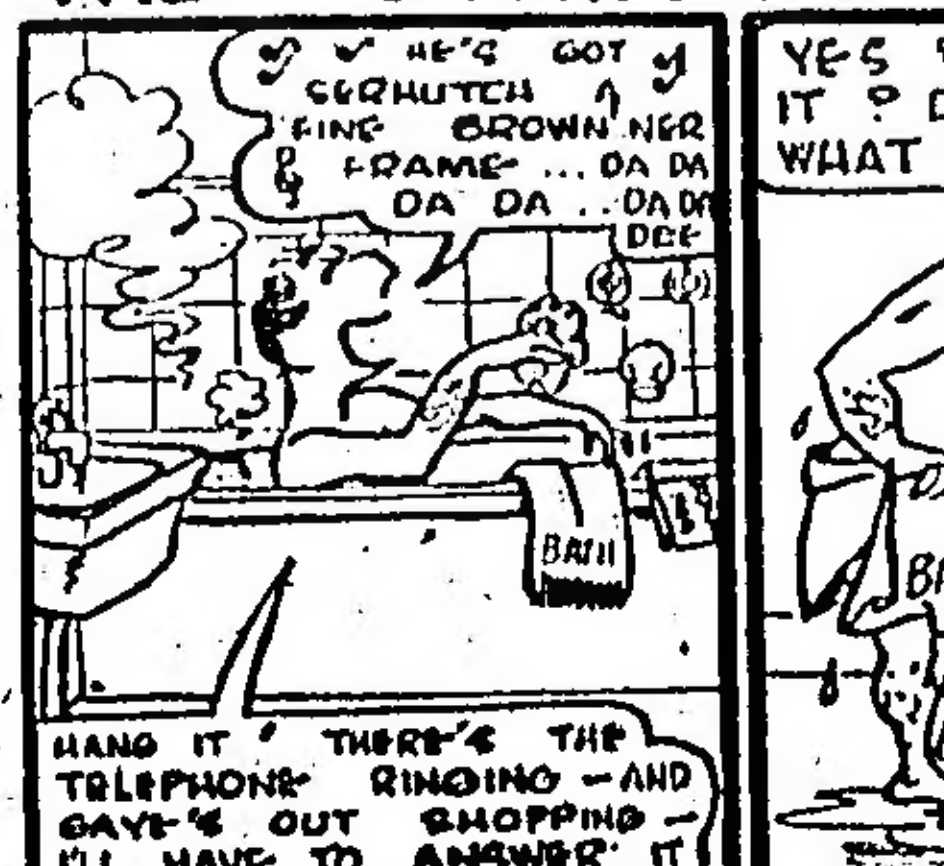
The Committee of the Association is to arrange a Colony Rifle shoot at the end of this year or at the beginning of next year.

Docusen Wins

Hollywood, Aug. 19. Bernard Docusen, flashy New Orleans ring star, was rated a lucky man tonight after sking out a unanimous 10-round decision over Milo Savage at the Sattle Stadium.

Docusen started strong in their third match Friday night, taking four of the first five rounds, but tired badly at the end and was taking a heavy pounding from Savage. His left eye was cut in the fifth round and his ear began to bleed, leaving some doubt that his August 28 match with Mario Trigo might have to be postponed.—United Press.

THE GAMBOLES



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By OSWALD JACOBY

"Do you know," said George, "you've been so nice to me lately that I really feel like doing something for you. As a small token of my esteem for you I will let you have this trick free, gratis, and for nothing!"

"Don't do me any favours," growled West. "I've had some of your gifts before."

West didn't know exactly what to expect, but he was right to be suspicious. He knew from experience that George was most dangerous when he was apparently giving away something.

The situation in question was the very first trick of the hand. West had led the king of spades, when George, who was sitting South, had made his little speech. George then played a low spade from the dummy.

A close examination of the hand shows that George had not been so generous after all. The play of the low spade from the dummy, although it appeared to give up a spade trick to West, actually secured the contract.

It didn't matter what West led at the second trick. West dared not follow the trump, so South was able to ruff the diamond with dummy's trump.

As the hand was actually played, West shifted to the queen of diamonds since he correctly feared that a second spade lead would set up a trick for South.

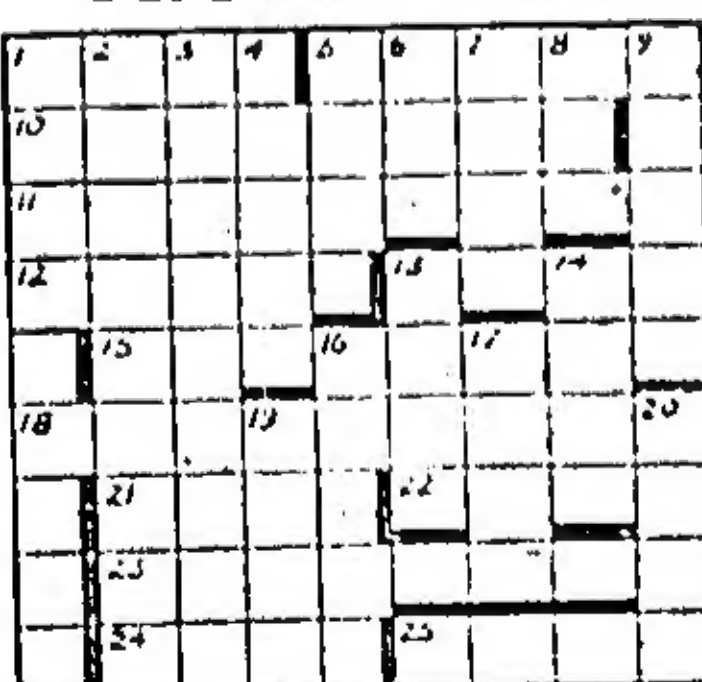
George took the king of diamonds and dummy's top clubs. He next cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a diamond in dummy. He returned to his hand by ruffing a club, and ruffed his last diamond in dummy.

He then cheerfully gave up two trump tricks to West, making his contract. If the queen of spades is played from dummy at the first trick, East wins with the ace and returns his singleton trump. This allows West to win two high trumps and lead his last trump.

Now South is doomed. He has already lost three tricks and must lose one of his low diamonds. The king of spades offers a discard for one of the diamonds, but the removal of all the trumps prevents South from ruffing any diamonds in the dummy.

It is interesting to note that East could not defeat George by overtaking his partner's jack of spades with the ace. That would set up dummy's king and queen of spades, after which declarer would need no diamond ruffs.

CROSSWORD



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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Teddy Stood On His Head

By MAX TRELL

"Teddy!" exclaimed Hand when she came into the playroom. "What are you doing standing on your head?"

It did look rather curious. Teddy was standing on his head with his feet in the air.

"I like it this way," said Teddy. "It's much fun than standing on my feet. Everything looks different and wonderful. I'm going to stand on my head all the time."

"But Teddy, that's silly! No one stands on his head!"

"I don't know about that," said Teddy. "I stand on my head. Yesterday I saw the goldfish standing on his head. Flies and bees and hornets and squirrels stand on their heads. Lots of folks stand on their heads."

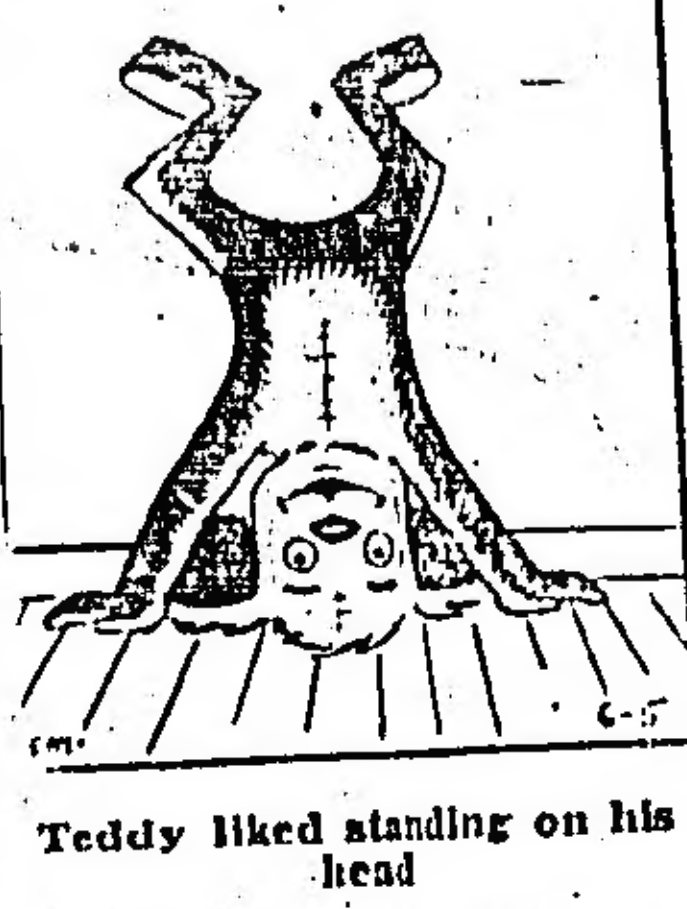
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"And if you eat something while you're standing on your head," Teddy added, "you don't have to eat it down. You eat it up."

Hand said she didn't see where it made much difference whether you ate your food up, or ate it down, so long as you weren't hungry after eating it. But Teddy didn't seem to pay any attention to this.

"It's very foolish of you!" Hand finally said. Then she went over and lifted Teddy up and stood him on his feet again. "Now," she said, "you look much better. Besides, how I was able to wear your new hat if you kept standing on your head?"

"I'd wear it on my feet," said Teddy.



Teddy liked standing on his head

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I AM well aware that I have written so much nonsense about the new kinds of food that when I quote what other people write nobody believes me.

Taking the risk once more, I pass on the information that a diet of whale meat need not be monotonous. Something called the Whale Meat Advisory Bureau has been busy inventing delicious dishes. And here are some of their discoveries, all made from tinned whale meat.

(my italics): sausage rolls, vol-au-vent, and plain and exotic main meal recipes like cottage pie, savoury steak pie, moussaka, and ravioli.

Well, I will back against all these delicacies. Any day, my own recipe for exotic roast beef made from Bay of Bengal octopus—or even egg pudding made from processed sarge.

The seaweed controversy

THE Home Secretary is to be asked in the House (11) whether it is conducive to English prestige abroad to allow two Peruvian to play seaway on a plank laid across the belly of a third in the Venetian lagoon.

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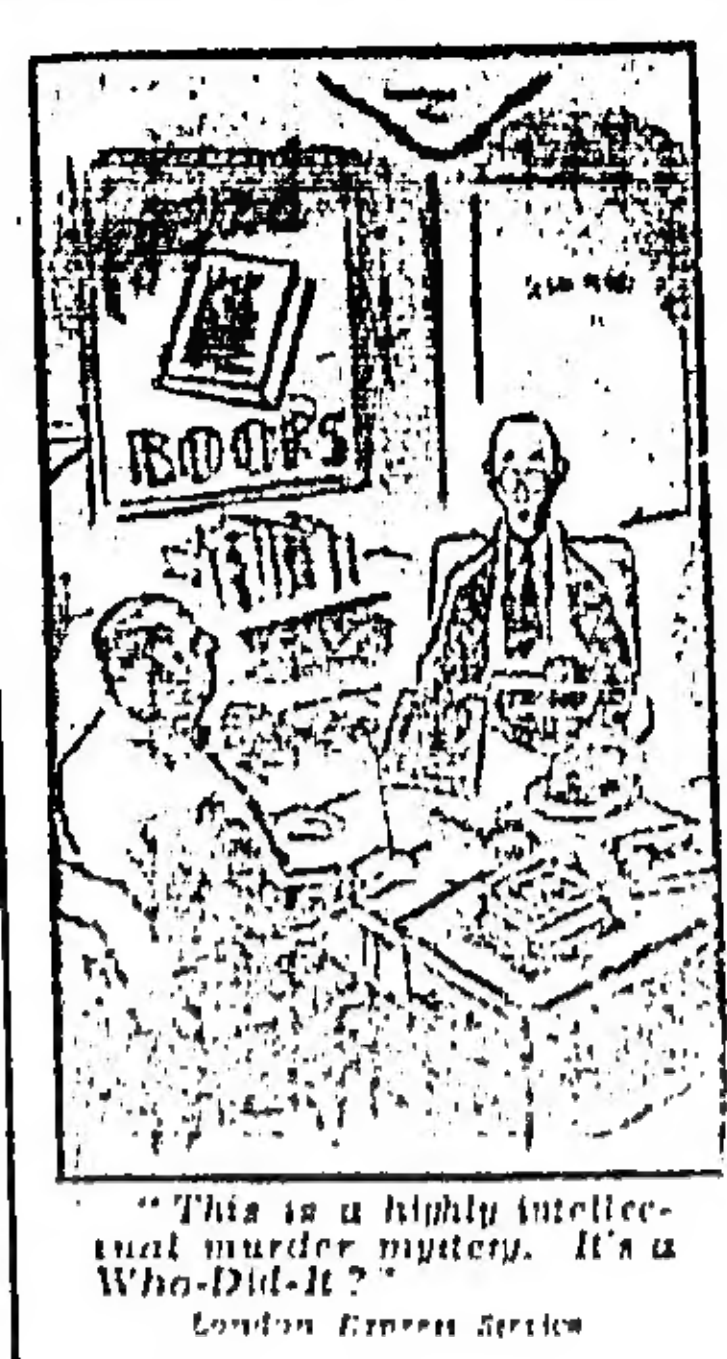
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INTELLIGENCE TEST

By T. O. HARE

FIVE planners planning at the highest level, recently met in conference at the Ministry of Blueprints.

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Australia Seeks To Cushion Wool Against Decline

Sydney, Aug. 20.

The Australian Government seeks to cushion its booming wool industry against a fall in prices with a stabilisation scheme it hopes other wool-growing Dominions and Britain will join.

The cushion is a seven and a half percent levy on all domestic and export wool sales, effective August 23, 1950, with the start of the 1950-51 wool season.

The Government, however, encountered opposition from some sections of the industry which claimed that the levy was too high. These critics claimed that Minister for Commerce and Agriculture, John McEwen, did not have a clear mandate from the industry before all sections had not been fully consulted.

Some factions felt that five percent was high enough. They said the higher rate will "scare smaller producers."

The Sydney Morning Herald claimed the Government "disregarded" the advice of all wool growers concerned. It said that not all wool growers were included in the groups which influenced McEwen's decision.

"The suspicion will gain currency that the Government is more concerned over its own inflationary measure than as a scheme for the safeguarding of the wool industry," the Herald said.

Some economists view the levy as an important counter-inflationary measure. But the Government minimises this aspect of its plans.

Financial experts have long maintained that the building up of farmers and wool growers are flooding the market with millions of pounds. Former Prime Minister and Treasurer Joseph Chifley said in Parliament that primary producers' money was a "very substantial" contribution to the inflationary trend.

Chifley observed that, nothing but the scheme would deal with the problem of such excessive purchasing power. Exports estimated at £20,000,000 (US\$45,000,000) of wool growers' money will go out of circulation during the levy's first year.

The levy is the first step towards the government's proposed stabilisation scheme. The Government has promised to refund all money paid by producers if no suitable plan is approved by September 1951.

Prime Minister Robert G. Menzies not very long ago cautioned sheep breeders to put away some of their current prosperity to provide for "lean years."

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CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Aug. 19.

There was little demand in late dealings on the grain market today. Most activity was profit-taking and hedging. Some late dealings were apparently influenced by the failure of Minneapolis wheat to maintain early gains.

Scattered hedging sales developed on upturns, but demand was mostly small. Flour business was reported at standstill.

Local crop reports said that most domestic wheat crops have advanced too far towards maturity to be hurt by light frost.

The oats trade was fair, but receipts were below normal for this season.

Soybeans showed some strength on scattered commission house buying with a few offerings.

At the close, wheat futures ruled 1/4 to 1 1/4 cents a bushel lower, corn was 1/4 to 1/2 higher, rye was unchanged to 1/4 lower and soybeans 1/4 higher. Prices closed as follows:—

WHEAT: 216 1/2, 217 1/2, 218 1/2, 219 1/2, 220 1/2, 221 1/2, 222 1/2, 223 1/2, 224 1/2, 225 1/2.

CORN: 155 1/2, 156 1/2, 157 1/2, 158 1/2, 159 1/2, 160 1/2, 161 1/2, 162 1/2, 163 1/2, 164 1/2.

RYE: 137 1/2, 138 1/2, 139 1/2, 140 1/2, 141 1/2, 142 1/2, 143 1/2, 144 1/2, 145 1/2, 146 1/2.

SOYBEANS: 70 1/2, 71 1/2, 72 1/2, 73 1/2, 74 1/2, 75 1/2, 76 1/2, 77 1/2, 78 1/2, 79 1/2.

Most of the buying was attributed to mill and export accounts, although considerable hedging against the purchases out of C.C.C. stock and producer marketings was apparent.—United Press.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE ALLOTTED

The Foreign Trade Control Bureau of the East China zone has acquired more than US\$2,000,000 worth of foreign exchange for the importation of necessary raw materials and supplies from abroad, according to a Shanghai report.

This amount of exchange will be allocated among the electrical appliances, brassware, ship-building, textile manufacturing, cement, cotton and textile, dyeing, weaving, in distill, cement, enamel ware, ink, celluloid and thermos flask industries.

The current allocation, which is the second of its kind made by the Bureau, far exceeds the first allocation, which amounted to only US\$510,000. It was decided on after a conference attended by the representatives of 41 guilds, which laid their foreign exchange problems before the authorities. The industries involved must now submit further data on their proposed purchases.—United Press.

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